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EYE-WITNESS TELLS OF TAIERCHWANG

TRIUMPHANT CHINESE ON OFFENSIVE

Japanese Fled When Guns Stopped Tanks In Last, Wild Fight

SPAIN OFFERS NOTHING TO PARALLEL FEROCITY OF PRESENT CAMPAIGN

Taierchwang, Apr. 7.

(By courier to Field Headquarters, and thence to Hsueh-chow)

Only this morning desperate Japanese troops battled here against a relentless and triumphant Chinese onslaught. They died under bayonets, bullets and grenades, and finally ruined what arms they could and fled terrified, although they had nowhere to flee.

Everything and everybody in this section, north-east of Taierchwang confirms this.

Death reigns here and every house is ruined. Dead men and animals are in devastated, barricaded streets. Smoking ruins are crashing every minute and death is lurking in unexploded shells and grenades which are lying underfoot.

A dead peasant lies beside a dead, fat duck, which he carried under his arm as sole food supply.

The movie director, Joris Ivens, says that Spain offered no parallel for ferocity in fighting.

Captain Carlson, U.S.M.C., says that the devastation matches the Great War's western front.

Among the ruined buildings is the American Presbyterian Mission, ironically bearing the sign: "Presbyterian Mission. Please do not molest."

Four tanks, stopped in their tracks by four neatly placed anti-tank shells, attest that the Chinese army now has teeth to crack these hitherto obstinate nuts. They stand neatly aligned just as they led the Japanese attack yesterday. It is obvious that the shells shattering the tanks shattered the Japanese morale.

Actual trophies were found this morning, exactly tallying with headquarters information. When entered

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STOP PRESS

ANGLO-IRISH NEGOTIATIONS' END IN SIGHT

Dublin, April 8.

Mr. Eamon De Valera announced in the Dail that he hoped the Anglo-Irish negotiations would be concluded, one way or the other, by the end of the month.

He regretted the delay in concluding the negotiations, which he attributed to internal incidents.—Reuters Bulletin.

TYPHUS CASE IN EMPRESS LINER

Tokyo, Apr. 9.

The Empress of Japan was put into quarantine yesterday for fumigation purposes. It is sailing to-day. A third-class passenger has been sent to hospital suffering from typhus.—United Press.

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CHINESE ARTILLERY MATCHES ENEMY'S

Correspondent Looks About Front

(From the Chinese Headquarters at Taierchwang)

Tungshanku, Apr. 8. General Sun Lien-chung in a statement to-day said: "The encirclement of the Japanese force on the Taierchwang front is virtually complete, our forces having advanced several miles during the night. The enemy is hard up for supplies, and his batteries are practically silent."

The battery commander, Colonel Chang, with a record of 30 years of soldiering, said: "Our artillery is equal to theirs. At the battles in the beginning and during the middle of March they had 96 pieces of artillery, including 40 five-inch guns. Now we compute they have only 27 guns active."

To reach the battery, I first rode in a galloping truck which ignored rules, rocks and natural laws, and then hiked for three miles over hills and fields over which shells whistled plentifully, and strewed fragments tested to past shellings.

From the hill top I surveyed No-Man's-Land, which was a huge chessboard of green and brown squares, sown and fallow fields bordered by

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Senate Defeats Blum on Finance Issue



THE WORLD'S LONGEST TRAVEL TICKET.—The three men holding the long passenger ticket strip in this photograph are officials of the China National Aviation Corporation, agents in Hongkong for Pan-American Airways. The ticket, believed to be the longest ever issued, is for Sir Victor Sassoon and his party, who are travelling 30,000 miles by Pan-American Airways system.

EMPIRE RADIO AND CABLE TOLLS CUT TO AID COMMERCE

Sacrifices to be Borne In Interest of Public

London, April 8.

Important changes which the Government contemplates making in arrangements with Cable and Wireless, Ltd., including a far-reaching scheme for a reduction in overseas telegraph rates, are contained in a White Paper issued this afternoon.

At the outset, reference is made to the policy agreed between the British Commonwealth government concerned, and the companies in the Cable and Wireless merger in 1928-29 for the maintenance and development, under British control, of the cable and wireless system of the Empire.

The White Paper says this policy has been endangered in recent years, partly because the operating company has been unable to earn the expected revenue, and thus unable to reduce tariffs to the full extent hoped, and partly owing to the threat of foreign competition on Empire routes.

For some time the governments concerned have been engaged in reviewing the position, and negotiating with Cable and Wireless, as a result of which certain proposals emerged. The British Government, with the general assent of the Dominions governments, and the government of India, is prepared to approve of these proposals, subject to Parliamentary authority.

The proposed settlement calls for financial sacrifices by the United Kingdom and most of the overseas governments, and by the company and its associates, but it is believed these will be offset by benefits accruing to all parties, particularly to the public users of the company's system.

IMMEDIATE REDUCTION

The main purpose of the proposed settlement is three-fold. First, it provides for an immediate and substantial reduction in Empire telegraph rates, and makes it more easily possible for further reductions to be effected in the future if the expected stimulus to traffic makes this practicable.

Secondly, it relieves the present strain on Cable and Wireless finances, by providing for an exchange of the prior charge on the company's revenues which the British Government now holds (in the form of rental for beam wireless stations) for an interest in an equity undertaking.

Thirdly, the governments concerned are asked in confirmation of their

HONGKONG CABLE CHARGES SLASHED

Concessions By All Parties Concerned

London, April 8. Sir Campbell Stuart, Chairman of the Imperial Communications Advisory Committee, made the following announcement this afternoon.

"The Imperial Communications Advisory Committee, on which are represented the Government of the United Kingdom, the Governments of the Dominions, the Government of India, the Crown Colonies, Protectorates and Mandated Territories, state that as the result of negotiations which have been in progress since July, 1936, a general agreement has now been reached with Cable and Wireless, Ltd., through its Chairman, Mr. Edward Willsaw, and its

associated companies overseas, which will enable a far-reaching scheme of reductions in telegraph rates between the different countries of the

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CABINET TO RESIGN AND COALITION NOW M. DALADIER'S PLAN

Tense Hours As Senators Condemn Prime Minister, Leading Leftist Assault

Paris, Apr. 8.

The French Senate to-day rejected M. Leon Blum's Finance Bill by 223 votes to 49, and the French Cabinet has since resigned.

The Senate gave summary treatment to Mr. Blum's Financial Bill, and refused even to discuss it, and finally rejected it outright by 223 votes to 49.

The Senate never was so crowded in living memory. M. Blum spoke for two hours and was frequently interrupted by ironic applause. He bitterly assailed the House, declaring that circumstances were no longer the same as in 1926 or 1934. The working classes had become conscious of their rights.

"You have no right to the decision. That belongs to the Assembly chosen by universal suffrage," he declared.

M. Jules Jeanneney, President of the Senate, interrupted at this point and said: "This House will make a decision in complete freedom, and you, Monsieur the Prime Minister, must draw your own conclusions."

M. Blum proceeded to make a last appeal, adding that the Senate was going to the limits the Constitution allowed.

There was a rigid silence as the Premier left the Tribune.

Shortly after the Senate vote, the Blum Government definitely decided to resign.

There are indications that M. Edouard Daladier will be called on to form a Government, and will attempt to do so on a wide basis, covering practically all the parties.—Reuters.

Chamberlain Explains Quest For Friendships

Pleads For Little More Patience

Soft Words Do Not Hide Iron Determination

Birmingham, Apr. 8. Nobody can question the determination of the British people to see the business of rearmament through to completion, recognising as they must that it is Britain's best security against war and that of all sacrifices none is so terrible as those of war, declared Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, speaking before 2,500 here to-night.

He was not prepared to gamble with the lives of men, women and children of the British race and blood. Though the stern necessity of war might arise in the future, he said, as it had arisen in the past, he was not prepared to give the word for solder unless he was absolutely convinced there was no other way by which Britain could preserve her liberty.

Delicacies which had never before been seen in the poor, peasant town were ordered from Canton and Hongkong.

Revelry was at its height, when a gang of bandits, armed with rifles and swords, swooped down

White Leather Bags

Just in time for Easter!

A special line of smart white leather bags. Practical as well as ornamental.

\$6.50 and \$6.95 ea.

WHITEAWAY'S



Homemaker's Diary

Good fit and good quality—two important points to remember when buying clothes for men.

TO-DAY let's talk about the men-folk. We are sometimes inclined to forget that the man is the main-spring of the house, and that looking after his clothes is a very important part of the homemaker's job.

An outfitter told me recently that about 75 per cent. of men's clothes are bought by women, and this includes underwear and extras such as pullovers, belts and socks.

So, with the Easter holidays just round the corner, let's give the man's wardrobe an overhaul.

Chocolate Cakes

THESE small chocolate nut dainties for tea will be voted a pleasant change by the family.

They are made with 2oz. butter, 2oz. sugar, 1 egg, a tablespoonful of grated chocolate, 3oz. flour, 1oz. nuts, 2 tablespoonfuls milk, 1/2 teaspoonful of baking powder, 1 dozen paper cases.

Cream the butter and sugar, add the beaten egg and milk with some of the flour. Beat well, add the rest of the flour, mixed with the baking powder and grated chocolate.

Lastly stir in the chopped nuts and pinch of salt. Place the mixture into the paper cases, and bake for 15 minutes in a fairly hot oven.

and see how we can get best value in the necessary replacements.

One point that strikes me is that sizes are too often left to chance. Do you know your husband's size in hats and shoes, and, even more important, in collars and underwear?

It's a good idea, if you have to shop for a man, to have these details in black and white, together with his chest and waist measurement, length of arm and so on, so that you can check up while you are in the shop.

You may find, for instance, that he needs a slightly larger size in vests than he does in trunks. Buying the bigger size will leave plenty of room for his extra inches round the chest. Men always go for comfort in fit when they shop.

Which is a good reason for buying the best you can afford. Details like buttonholes are better finished on good quality garments, and the material won't shrink or lose its shape in the wash.

Athletic Style

One of the most satisfactory materials in this direction that I have come across for some time is the new Wolsey Improved Interlock—it has plenty of "give" in the right places, but keeps its shape, and I noticed that it is made up into athletic shape vests, and trunks with elastic at the waist.

Both are extremely comfortable to wear, as they allow freedom of movement and they are beautifully cool for summer wear.

Men being conservative over colour in underwear, these garments are made only in white.

Cool Comfort

My own menfolk all choose pure wool socks. They say that they do not chafe and are cool and comfortable for summer wear.

There are some lovely browns, blues, greens and lavenders among the Wolsey Cardinal socks, in addition to plain navy, black and white.

In colour, by the way, there is a tendency towards heathery blues and greens.

I have noticed this especially in socks and in clothes for sportswear.

Some are made in a fine rib in flannel grey with stripes in white and a second contrasting colour. Bottle

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GIANT "SOUTH SEAS" CLIPPER TO CARRY 72 PERSONS

Pan-American Airways Will Fly It Across Pacific Soon

SPECIAL CAR LICENCES



TWO AND A HALF MILLION cars are expected to visit the World Exhibition in San Francisco next year. California is issuing special licence plates, one of which is shown above, to the tourists.

Surgical Miracle Gives New Heart To Girl

HER life at one time despaired of, nine-years-old Kathleen Munger, of Ashbourne-grove, Chiswick, lies in an oxygen tent in West London Hospital recovering from one of the most intricate operations known to surgery—that of scraping the heart.

The girl's parents, realising that her chances of ever enjoying good health again were extremely remote, sacrificed their own blood to help her survive the operation, technically known as trans-sternal pericardectomy.

Pantaloons For Party Girls

By BARBARA ARMSTRONG

"A WHITE satin garden party

A dress, eminently suited to a young lady, with black lace pantaloons to the ankle, a tight-waisted jacket also of white satin, and a black lace poke bonnet!

Wrong! This announcement was not copied from an early Victorian fashion plate. It is a description of one of the ensembles shown yesterday in Worth's Spring and Summer Collection, and which will be seen at fashionable garden parties during the summer.

The picture flock of 1938 will be much more complicated than for nearly 100 years. The white satin skirt in the example displayed yesterday contained 12 yards of material, and two hoops were required to exploit the fullness.

The poke bonnet, tied under the chin with a black velvet bow, was of stiffened net and chiffon. It was black, to match the dainty pantaloons just showing beneath the full skirt.

For the more sophisticated, and for older women, fox fur are still fashionable, but with a difference. On two day units in the collection the fur had been dyed to a vivid shade of orange.

Debutantes' Court dresses will this season be fairy-like creations of snow white tulle with delicate silver embroidery over the upper part of the dress, with trains of softly frilled material.

U.S. PRAISES BRITISH FILM

New York has given an enthusiastic reception to "A Yank at Oxford," the first film to be produced in England by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayor.

Critics who saw it at its world premiere declare it to be of rich British flavour, yet with a powerful bid for American popularity. It is hailed as one of the best comedies ever to come out of England, and everyone predicts for it a great success.

Robert Taylor, whose good looks usually draw cynical remarks from the male critics, now finds himself mentioned as "a comedian of the first rank," who shows his manliness as the athletic "Yank" is a vigorous fashion.

Bowling, Vivien Leigh, says one admirer, "is the sort of thing to make anyone want to go to Oxford," while Edmund Gwenn, C. V. France, and Edward Rigby also receive special tributes.

A GIANT 72-passenger "South Seas Clipper," the first of six four-engined Boeing model 314 long-range transoceanic flyingboats being built for Pan American Airways, has been previewed before newspapermen.

The clipper has a hull of aluminium alloy that measures 109 feet from bow to tail. It has an outside surface area of 4,000 square feet—equal to one-tenth of an acre—and an inside area equal to that of an average five-room house.

The ship will have a high speed of approximately 200 m.p.h., with 40 passengers aboard. The hull is 19 feet high and the overall height of the plane 28½ feet. The horizontal tail surface measures 49 feet. Wing span would cover nearly half a city block.

The clipper will be powered by 1,500-h.p. two-row Wright Cyclone motors, largest of their type ever built. The plane will fly on any two of its four motors. Cargo holds on the ships will carry five tons of mail and express. The plane is expected to be ready for test flights in May.

Flier Has Snake Mascot

Sydney. An 8-foot carpet snake is the regular mascot and flying companion of Goya Henry, a one-legged airline pilot here.

EMPIRE NEWS

CANADIAN PREMIER ANSWERS ATTACKS

Ottawa. A Parliamentary session different from the two preceding it is presaged by the opening discussions. Conservatives are much more militant and plan to continue to be so.

In the debate on the Address yesterday Mr. Bennett, Leader of the Opposition, displayed much of his old-time energy of language and gesture. There was no vital departure from orthodox Conservative lines.

Mr. Bennett alleged that corruption at elections existed throughout the country. He attacked the personnel of the Royal Commission on Dominion-Provincial relations as being politically partisan.

He also attacked the pending Canadian-American trade agreement. He demanded a definite stand by Canada in condemnation of Japanese aggression in the Far East.

He moved an amendment which constituted a straight vote of no confidence in the Government. Mr. Mackenzie King, replying, denied Mr. Bennett's accusation of election corruption and added: "The Leader of the Opposition well knows that I will heartily co-operate with him at any time to make laws that will keep elections clean and honest."

Mr. King also stated that he hoped the Provinces would see the reasonableness of the Government proposal to amend the Constitution to make a national unemployment insurance scheme possible.

South Africa

Cape Town. Rand business men welcomed the new Rand-Rhodes air service, which started to-day.

South African Airways are operating a passenger and mail service to Bulawayo from Johannesburg every Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday, reaching Bulawayo in two and a half hours. There will be southward flights from Bulawayo on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Rhodesian and Nyasaland Airways are operating a link service to Salisbury.

Lord Trenchard's Tour.—Marshal of the Air Force Viscount Trenchard left to-day by air for the Rand. After visiting the Transvaal he will go to Rhodesia and the Congo. He has been staying here as the guest of the Government since Friday.

Elephants on Move.—Because of the unrestricted shooting of elephants in Portuguese East Africa, large numbers are crossing the border into Kruger National Park. There are now 450 elephants in the park. South Africa

NAVIGATION LIGHTS AT CAPE TOWN

Cape Town. Judgment in favour of the defendants, with costs, was given to-day in the Supreme Court in an action arising out of the wreck of the British motor-vessel Winton, 4,988 tons. In Table Bay on July 20, 1934. Plaintiffs were the Avenue Shipping Company, owners of the ship, Bunge and Co., London, owners of the cargo of wheat, and Joseph Rank, London purchasers of the cargo.

The defendants were the South African Railways and Harbours and the Overseas Communications, South Africa. The owners claimed £40,000 for the ship and the cargo owners claimed £42,000 for the cargo.

The plaintiffs' case was that after the Railway Administration had erected, at the end of a breakwater at Table Bay Docks, a red flashing light on a navigation light, Overseas Communications erected a red flashing beacon light on a wharf mast at a warning to aircraft at Milnerton, on the shores of Table Bay. The Winton, it is alleged, confused the two lights and stranded.

Giving judgment, Mr. Justice Centlivres said that the co-existence of these two lights did not constitute a danger to shipping.—Reuters.

Well-kept nails are a woman's own responsibility.

S.P.C. CABARET AT PENINSULA



MISS ESME HASKELL who took part in the Society for the protection of Children's Cabaret at the Annual Ball at the Peninsula Hotel last night.

Former Lady Heath: "My Friends In Prison"

THE former Lady (Mary) Heath, ex-airwoman, charged at Bow-street with being drunk and disorderly, was asked, "What are you?"

"According to you, a gaol-bird," she answered.

Mr. Harold McKenna, the magistrate: Is that what you call yourself?—That is what you have made me.

Charged in her maiden name of Sophie Evans, she was remanded in custody, Mr. McKenna ordering a mental report. Her age was given as 42.

CARRIED TO CELL

Colonel S. H. White, Evans's solicitor, mentioned that she came out of prison on February 14

after a two-months term, and Evans remarked: "My friends there were a murderer, a woman who ran a disorderly house, a receiver, and a woman who made £30 a night by picking pockets."

At another stage in the proceedings she said: "When you sent me to Holloway last time I fainted there. I had to be carried to my cell. I would rather be fined than go to Holloway."

Mr. McKenna: I expect you would. There is one thing at Holloway—you are not likely to get alcohol there.

A police officer said he saw Evans in Vine-street, and she was unsteady on her feet. When he asked her to go away she began shouting.

Jean Harlow Is Still Alive

MOTHER

Hollywood. Jean Harlow still lives. Jean, the tragic blonde whose beauty dazzled the whole world, died last year at the age of 26. But to Mrs. Bello, Jean's mother, she is not dead.

She is still with her, as she had promised to be . . . always.

Although Mrs. Bello has lost three stones in weight since Jean died she has overcome her grief. She sees no reason for grief.

Her home to-day is a shrine to the memory—or rather the presence—of Jean.

The house is dominated by a life-size portrait of Jean, painted after her death.

IN WHITE GOWN

The painting shows her in a white chiffon gown against a background of blue. Her arm is flung upwards in a characteristic gesture of farewell. "She always flung up her arm in that gallant gesture of salute whenever she left me for a little while," said Mrs. Bello.

And Jean her own Bunny, as she calls her, has only left her mother for a little while . . .

Beneath the portrait are ferns, palms, the green living things that Jean loved. A vase of gardenias, Jean's favourite flowers, is on the bookshelf.

The rest of the room is filled with portraits of Jean . . . and of William Powell, the man she loved.

HIS £40,000 LUGGAGE

FOUR strong porters struggled to lift a massive trunk on to a taxi outside a London hotel. It contained £10,000 worth of stamps from all parts of the world.

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It is known as the "King of stamp dealers," and his business is so vast—his turnover is £300,000 a year—that he buys them by the ton.

"I buy stamps from Governments. When a new issue is printed I buy up all the old stamps at so much the pound," he said.



It's
Easter
Time
at
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RADIO BROADCAST

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Allison and Thomas Woodroffe from Wembley Stadium.
12.45 Close Down.

TO-MORROW'S PROGRAMME

First Act of the Opera "Carmen" by Bizet

TSCHAIKOWSKY SYMPHONY
10.30-11.30 a.m. Relay of Morning Services from the Union Church.
11.30-12.15 p.m. Relay of Morning Service from the Hop Yat Church (Chinese).

12.15 Cesar Franck — Prelude, Aria and Finale.
Played by Alfred Cortot (Piano Solo).

12.37 Songs by Gora Ljungberg (Soprano).
Panis Angelicus (Cesar Frank); Ave Maria (Bach, Gounod).

12.45 Orchestral Programme,
Academic Festival Overture, Op. 80 (Brahms)... Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Bruno Walter; Concerto No. 7 For Organ And, Orchestra (Handel); Concerto No. 13 For Organ And Orchestra (Cuckoo and Nightingale—Handel)... London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Albert Coates Organist; Herbert Dawson.

1.0 Time and Weather.
1.03 Marek Weber and His Orchestra.

0 Du Frohliche, O Du Selige; Still Night, Holy Night (Platen); Simple Avu (Thorne); Spring Song (Mendelssohn); I Kiss Your Lips (Rudolph); Salut D'Amour (Elgar); Fantasy On Melodies Of Johann Strauss (Weber).

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press; Weather and Announcements.

1.40 Blatz—"Carmen"—Act 1.

Played by The Milan Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Cav. Lorenzo Molinari. Vocalists: Ines Alfonz, Tullini, Aristide Baracelli, Aureliano Pertile, Bruno Carnassi, Aurora Baudes and Chorus of La Scala, Milan.

2.30 Close Down.

2.0 Chinese Programme.

2.0 An Hour With Schumann.

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The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 6th April to the 13th April, 1938, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,

A. ALVES,
Secretary,
Hongkong, 1st April, 1938.

HONG KONG ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the above named Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews, Mercantile Bank Building, Queen's Road (Central), Hong Kong, on Wednesday, the 13th April, 1938, at 12.15 p.m., when the abridged Resolution will be proposed as an Ordinary Resolution:

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By order of the Board,

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 11th day of April, 1938, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Mong Kok Tsui, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

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NOTICES FOR THE WEEK.

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The SHARE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 26th MARCH to 13th APRIL, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

A. W. HUGHES,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 14th March, 1938.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

Notice to Shareholders

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTY-NINTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its HEAD OFFICE, Union Building, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, 13th APRIL, 1938, at 11.20 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1937, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

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By Order of the Board,

A. W. HUGHES,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 14th March, 1938.

ANNOUNCEMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Forty-Ninth Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the offices of the Company, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Tuesday, the 12th day of April, 1938, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1937.

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By Order of the Board,

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Hongkong, 14th March, 1938.

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3 p.m.—Sunday School and Bible Class.

6.30 p.m. Service in Mandarin.

8 p.m.—Song Service. Miss Frances McGill will sing.

8.30 p.m.—Evening Service. Preacher: Rev. Andrew Gith. Subject: "A Chinese wedding and what came of it."

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List of Services For To-morrow

ST. GEORGE DAY FETE

The following are the forthcoming services, etc., at the English Methodist Church, Queen's Road East, Wan Chai, Hong Kong (opposite the Royal Naval Hospital):

Sunday Services, April 10

Preachers—Morning, Rev. J. E. Sandbach; Evening, Rev. J. Musgrave. Morning Parade Service at 10.15 a.m. at the English Church. Hymns No. 12, 48, 408, 521, 91.

Evening Service at 7 p.m. at the English Methodist Church. Hymns No. 74, 102, 195, 170, 182.

NOTICES FOR THE WEEK.

London, Apr. 9.

In an editorial to-day, the Times says that the reduction of the Empire telegraph rates takes place as the latest, but evidently not the last move in the continuous advance which has been proceeding since the 17th century, and the paper proceeds to outline the successive steps for cheapening and speeding up transmission of mails, firstly by surface and then by air.

The paper draws attention to the threat to cables in 1924 by the invention of beam wireless, but wireless could not be allowed to kill the railways. Hence a merger in interests in 1928, which was unhappily formed.

Its internal difficulties have been extreme, but a solution has been found by offering a very tempting bargain to customers through a

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**Artists' "At Home"**

Hongkong Telegraph:

Sir.—Owing to indisposition I have not been able, as I had intended, to send a short notice of the At Home of the Hongkong Working Artists' Guild held by the kind hospitality of Mr. John Locke, at his studio at 2 Connaught Road on the 8th inst; the Guild Studio at 51 Gloucester Road being too small and not central enough.

The delay gives me the opportunity of correcting some misapprehensions as to the scope and purpose of the reception. Invitations were strictly personal, by invitation card only; and it was for the purpose of introducing to His Excellency the Governor the friends of the Guild who had kept it going by financial assistance and interest, at a time of crisis; and also artists who have been connected with the Guild by using their studio, or holding exhibitions under its auspices, etc.

Although newspapers were not requested to send reporters or photographers, individual cards of invitation were sent to the Editors of the leading European and Chinese newspapers, most of whom attended. A selection of representative work, selected by themselves, was collected from as many of the members and associates of the Guild as possible in the short space of time available. It was in no sense an exhibition, but the really excellent collection of some fifty or more works served to show the wide scope of the Guild.

Almost a hundred cards of invitation were sent out, and some eighty guests attended the reception. As he had graciously promised, His Excellency the Governor came,

as did also the Vice-Chancellor of the Hongkong University.

The Hon. Dr. Kolewall, and the Hon. M. K. Lo, with other members of the Legislative Council who had specially interested themselves in the Guild, were among the guests. Besides the Committee and members of the Guild, the Hongkong Art Club, the Travel Association, and the Education Department were represented.

The proceedings were entirely informal, there being no speeches. Tea was served; and His Excellency examined the pictures with great attention; and many of the artists were presented to him.

Much gratification and surprise was expressed at the high standard reached by the exhibits, particularly as they were of such varied character in styles of both Western and Oriental Art.

It was a pleasant and memorable occasion, and a landmark in the progress of the Guild.

Artists who sent in work for the At Home were: Mr. and Mrs. Pau Shiu-yau, Mrs. Chomplin, Mrs. Macfadyen, Mrs. A. Tatz, the three Misses Hsing, Messrs. Luis Chan, Wong Siu-lung, Yee Bon, Lee Byng, Lee Tong, Mak Shiu-ha, Ng Ku-hung, S. N. Chau, Chan T. Goon, Chau Chuk-kwan, Chin Shiu-ngr, and Mr. Yee Sul-hong from Manilla; woodcuts by Emma Bormann (Mrs. Milch) from Vienna; also a sketch of Luis Chan by the late Mr. Hong Chen.

If this list is incomplete, it is so inadvertently.

A. N. MACFADYEN,
Hon. Secretary, H. K. Working
Artists' Guild.

Pasteurization

Sir.—The matter of milk is more than one of public interest but one affecting the health of the Colony. There should be no secrecy about this. The Urban Council through its health officers are vigorously pursuing a campaign against smallpox, and people who innocently contract the sickness and through ignorance do not report it are brought up before a magistrate. No secrecy is tolerated in these cases. Why then should there be any secrecy about the Colony's milk supply? Milk is one of the greatest vehicles of disease. Impure milk supplies can cause epidemics of typhoid fever, diphtheria, typhoid fever, septis, sore throats, dysentery, diarrhoea, and other forms of intestinal sickness—365 days of the year. Because we drink it as a food.

The British Medical Association in a public announcement state as follows: "In 1929 in one district 1,000 families were affected by such an epidemic, of exceptional severity, and 65 people died. In 1936 in another serious outbreak elsewhere there were 718 cases of infection, and 51 residents of the district died. Every primary case had drunk milk from the same source of supply."

In a matter which affects the health of the public? Why all this mockery? We are the people. The letters of David Spreckley, Pro Bono Publico, Vaca and the various articles in your paper are evidence of public indignation at the manner in which Dr. Basto was treated in this most vital matter. The civil population are represented by unofficial members on the Urban Council and the Legislative Council, and all citizens will agree that secrecy is necessary in matters of state, but it is a violation of the prerogative to enforce it on the representatives of the people when the representatives consider that the matter is one which should be made public. Dr. Basto will be well advised to stick to his guns.

CUI BONO?

Sir.—As opinions on the question of pasteurisation are in many instances adopted from other countries, it is only natural that one should analyse carefully the reasons underlying those opinions, and compare them to those obtaining in Hongkong.

The main reasons that call for pasteurisation of fresh milk in some countries are:

1. The great prevalence of the purely "milk-born" diseases among the population, the chief of which is bovine tuberculosis with its high infantile mortality. This dreadful disease is endemic in Europe and it should be clearly understood that it is pre-eminently a disease of the cow which is transmitted to human beings through its milk. It is intrinsically "milk-born" and, owing to the fact that fresh milk is in these countries very cheap and extensively drunk, the disease becomes more widespread and therefore assumes greater importance. It is necessary that one should not confuse this type of tuberculosis which is known as "bovine" with the "human" type which is so common in Hongkong. "Bovine" tuberculosis cannot exist in a population that does not drink fresh cows' milk; and we know that the majority of our tuberculous cases are too poor to afford it. Furthermore 75 per cent. of our cows are tuberculin tested and if necessary all milk-cows could be made to undergo the test. There is therefore no danger from this source so far as our milk is concerned.

With regard to dysentery, typhoid, cholera, etc., these are not strictly speaking "milk-born" but are known as "water-born," and milk contaminated by dirty water or other infected material may carry these germs. But this is no reason for selecting milk as the sole victim for pasteurisation, seeing that any other article of food or drink stands the same chance of being similarly infected. In view of the very rigid bye-laws governing the dairies and milk-shops in this Colony, our milk is in point of fact less exposed to infection than many other articles of diet which are not so carefully safe-guarded.

2. Another reason which is crying out loud for compulsory pasteurisation in some other countries, is found in the very unhygienic practice of selling the milk "loose" or "unbottled." This practice as it can well be imagined exposes the milk to all sorts of infection, and what with the "primary" inherent infection, added to the possibility of a "secondary" infection from other

sources, it is only natural that some opinion should be in favour of compulsory pasteurisation. Furthermore, by the adoption of this measure, the authorities see in it an opportunity of forcing the milk into bottles, for pasteurisation would be useless unless the milk is bottled afterwards.

3. Mention must be made on the subject of "pooling" of the milk. Owing to the large number of small dairies spread all over the country, and to the highly commercialised state of the milk industry, dairymen in most countries have adopted the system of selling their milk "whole sale" to some company or other, who in turn retail it to the consumer. Now this system, although very convenient in itself, is a great source of annoyance to the public health authorities. In the presence of an epidemic, it is with the greatest difficulty that the source of infection can be traced to any particular food or drink. When this has at last been done, and if the infection is traced down to milk, one can but imagine the disappointment of the health authorities to find that they are unable to follow up the infection to its source owing to the fact that the milk has been "pooled." It is only natural, therefore, that they should fight hard for compulsory pasteurisation under such circumstances. Now, "pooling" of the milk is not practised in Hongkong.

4. In most democratic countries the legislative machinery will have to force to a slow and cumbersome Laws enforcing the "bottling" of milk, the prohibition of sale of "loose" milk, the tuberculin testing of milk-cows etc., etc., cannot be easily passed. It is only natural therefore that milk-reformers, knowing of the difficulty they have to contend with, should ask for compulsory pasteurisation which would cover "at one go" all the other reforms so urgently needed.

This state of affairs is in marked contrast to those obtaining in this Colony. If necessary, any piece of legislation could be easily passed, and it is therefore unnecessary to take refuge in compulsory pasteurisation when there are so many other facilities for ensuring a healthy and clean milk-supply without it. It should be noted however, in passing, that it is not in accordance with the best democratic traditions to prevent an individual to drink whatever kind of milk he pleases. Legislation along this line savours like "prohibition." Pasteurisation should be entirely optional and a person be left the choice of drinking the kind of milk that he likes best.

5. Lastly but not the least, comes the difficulty of adequately controlling the extremely large number of dairies which are scattered all over the length and breadth of the countries in Europe and America.

By contrast there exists a total number of less than 30 dairies in the whole of this Colony. With the exception of the one at Pokfulum, the rest are clumped together in two groups—one in Hongkong (Tai-Hang) and another in Kowloon (Diamond Hill). Advantages could be taken of this by instituting in each of these localities a communal milking and bottling depot under government supervision if necessary. The milking and bottling could then be made under the most hygienic and modern conditions, and the public will then be ensured a healthy, clean, and natural milk-supply without submitting it to the expense and disadvantages of an artificial and often inefficient process.

It will be interesting to know that whereas in most countries the production of milk runs into millions of gallons per day, in Hongkong the approximate total daily output is 1,000 gallons for all the dairies put together. As one large dairy is already voluntarily pasteurising its milk, compulsory pasteurisation when enforced will only be effective against the ridiculously insignificant number of 489 gallons of milk. Pasteurisation is a form of treatment for milk, and just as it is wrong to treat individuals with drugs when they are not ill, so it is wrong to treat milk when it is not diseased. As it is the object of scientific and rational medicine to keep an individual fit and in good health without recourse to drugs and other artificial measures, so also it should be our policy to employ every means available to present to the community a healthy, clean and pure milk-supply, without subjecting it to an artificial process. It is right therefore to contend that pasteurisation should not be made a permanently compulsory

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measure. Under special circumstances as in the presence of an epidemic, it could be enforced for a time, but as far as one is aware, no epidemic has ever been caused "primarily" through milk.

The last dysentery epidemic cannot be blamed on to milk, but to the fact that it had been secondarily infected while it was being illegally tampered with. The new cover for the milk bottles should prevent a similar occurrence. It is maintained that our milk is one of the healthiest, and it could be made doubly so by adopting the system of supervised milking and bottling above suggested.

If, in spite of everything else, milk is still considered by some as dangerous, then the best and surest way of making it "safe" is by boiling it. The only advantage that "pasteurisation" has over "boiling" is that it does not make it so difficult to digest. But then, this only applies to infants under one year of age, seeing that older children and adults can digest boiled milk quite well. As the number of infants fed on fresh cows' milk is extremely small (in Hongkong poor children are fed on human or tinned milk, better class children are fed on powdered milk, in the majority of instances) pasteurisation, which was invented for the special purpose of sterilising milk for the benefit of infants, cannot even be advocated on this ground.

Although the dairies may be easily compelled to buy a pasteurising plant, it is quite another and more difficult matter to compel them to use it. We shall then be faced with the problem of dairymen "relaxing" in the ordinary hygienic measures, coupled with the fear that pasteurisation has not been faithfully or efficiently carried out.

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LONDON WIDOW DUPE OF GAY ADVENTURESS

FOR nearly four years the silver tongue of Mrs. Eunice Rose, 35-year-old glamour-seeking blonde trickster, drained £14,000 from the fortune of a charitable widow.

With privately chartered aeroplanes, chauffeur-driven motor-cars, magnificently furnished seaside houses, lavish cocktail parties, and with trips abroad, she lived the gay life she had dreamed of when she worked as a drapers' assistant.

As a saleswoman she was told: "You could make anybody buy anything with your persuasive tongue." Eunice Rose, hungry for the bright lights and the well-dressed world outside her shop window, thought that over.

She decided to put it to the test, in a small way first, then, finally, in the mad plunge which gave her years of wild extravagance, ruined a widow, and brought her to the dock at Surrey Assizes and a three-year penal servitude sentence, writes Leon Fielding in the *Daily Mail*.

BLACKMAIL HINT

Demure and pale, still impeccably dressed, she had no word to say when sentence was passed, and Mr. Justice Branson said: "You got help from a kindly person, and you abused the kindness of her heart to enable you to rob her."

Nor had she anything to say when her counsel suggested that she was shielding someone, and mentioned "a suspicion of blackmail."

The widow she robbed was Mrs. Edith Barnes, of Normandy, Religate Heath, Surrey. And the sum she gained was £14,103.

For many years Eunice Rose went straight. She was born in Religate, and worked there until her marriage some years ago. Most of her time was spent behind a draper's counter. She parted from her husband and worked in a big London store for a time.

COULD SWAY OTHERS

Her ability to convince others of her honesty, and to sway them with her persuasiveness, burned like a flame in her mind. She first tried trickery by raising £10 from a woman of independent means in Religate on the pretext of wanting to buy dress material.

Then she increased the amount in another case to £20; again, in a similar way, to £25. But still she hesitated in taking the big plunge.

Also, there was no likely victim in sight—until she met Mrs. Barnes.

She was then in business on her own account. She learned that Mrs. Barnes was of a charitable nature and that she had certain religious scruples.

Then came a business transaction, and Eunice Rose's tongue began its work. She told Mrs. Barnes that she had been directed to come to her by the footsteps of her mother. She sought, and gained, sympathy. She told of big orders she had got from Lady Houston and Mr. C. B. Cochran. There were no such orders, but Mrs. Barnes believed her.

Eunice Rose began, slowly at first, to get money from Mrs. Barnes. Then, sure of her power, she launched on more than three years systematic robbing of the woman who befriended her.

The sums she got ranged from £3,000 to £27. Toward the end of last summer Eunice Rose had practically squeezed her victim dry of her easily convertible securities.

But she did not stop. The silver tongue once more told a story—and Mrs. Barnes parted with £1,000 worth of plate and jewellery. It was pawned.

In all that time—while appearing only in Religate to get more money—Eunice Rose was living like an heiress.

She rented two good houses at Hove and Brighton. At one she met her "fiance" and his family. In all she bought six cars, and she paid her chauffeur £15 a week. Yet sometimes taxicabs took her from Brighton to London. Aeroplanes flew her from Shoreham to Croydon, and there was a car to meet her and drive her to a West End hotel suite.

Gambling on greyhounds, and horses gripped her. Her bets were always large. She generally won.

The police have learned that she once hired a ten-seater private charter plane to take her and a party from Croydon to the Newmarket races.

When she could not get to Religate and bleed Mrs. Barnes of more money she had no hesitation in borrowing from her "fiance" and his parents. She had nearly £300 from them.

Curiosity Kills Cat, Darkens Town Besides

Hull, Mass. Curiosity really killed this cat. The feline straddled two high tension lines, was electrocuted by 13,000 volts and short-circuited the town lighting supply. Hull was in darkness for a half hour.

Royal Sword Goes Back To Egypt

A SWORD captured by General Murat 120 years ago from a member of the Egyptian Royal Family and presented to Napoleon, was sold back to the country of its origin for £350 at Sotheby's in London last week. The Consul of the Egyptian Embassy, who bought it, told the *News Chronicle* that he had procured it for a member of his Royal Family. He could not state who it was, but added that it was neither the King nor the Queen of Egypt.

AMBASSADOR WITHOUT A COUNTRY

Paris. Makonnen Habbo Wolde is in a worse position than the man without a country. He is the ambassador of a non-existent country without a passport.

When the King of Kings sat on his throne in Abyssinia, Makonnen Habbo Wolde was the minister of commerce. When Mussolini decided to annex Abyssinia and the Negus thought England would be much safer than the confines of his capital, Makonnen Habbo Wolde became His Excellency, Ambassador of Ethiopia to France. And so he has remained despite the King of Italy annexing the title of Emperor of Ethiopia.

But the handle of His Excellency brings no income, the fortune of an unfortunate King of Kings long ago having been depleted. So Wolde has been forced to find other means to replace a now non-existent diplomatic salary. And it was in such an attempt that the passport for the non-existent country disappeared.

In a Montmartre cafe, His Excellency was playing cards with "Friends" undoubtedly dealing on the precept that one can gain as well as lose. Winnings were a little above losses at about two A.M. when an unknown person approached stating he was an inspector from the Surete Nationale.

He asked Wolde to accompany him. Wolde protested and flashed his diplomatic passport but with no success, the newcomer insisted. And no sooner had the two men turned the corner, so Wolde told the police, than the Inspector attacked him, relieved him of his diplomatic passport and disappeared.

Wolde is now having trouble establishing his own identity.—United Press.

Pandit Given A New Life

Calcutta. Distinct signs of four new teeth, black hairs appearing in his white moustache; the firm, elastic step of a young man.

These are the results of the 40-day rejuvenation treatment now completed by the 77-year-old former Congress president, Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya.

The Pandit can walk upright again, and has recovered normal sight. All wrinkles disappeared when he was only half-way through the cure.

"He now enjoys the vitality and energy of a man of 40," states a report which describes the changes in the Pandit as "marvellous."

Malaviya will be confined in the unlighted and sealed treatment chamber for another five days, to accustom him gradually to a return to normal conditions.

But he will not resume ordinary diet for another 40 days, when "further amazing results" are promised.

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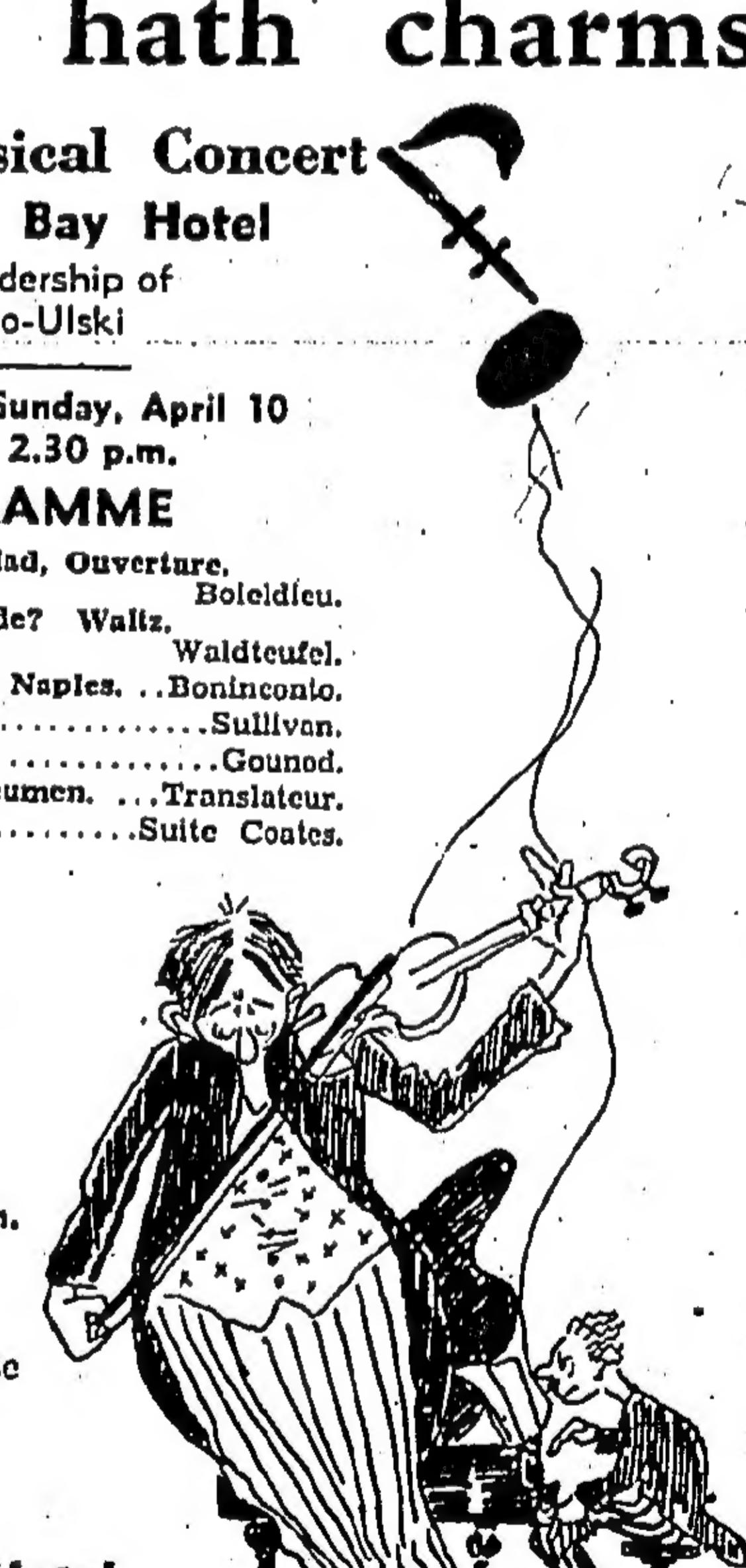
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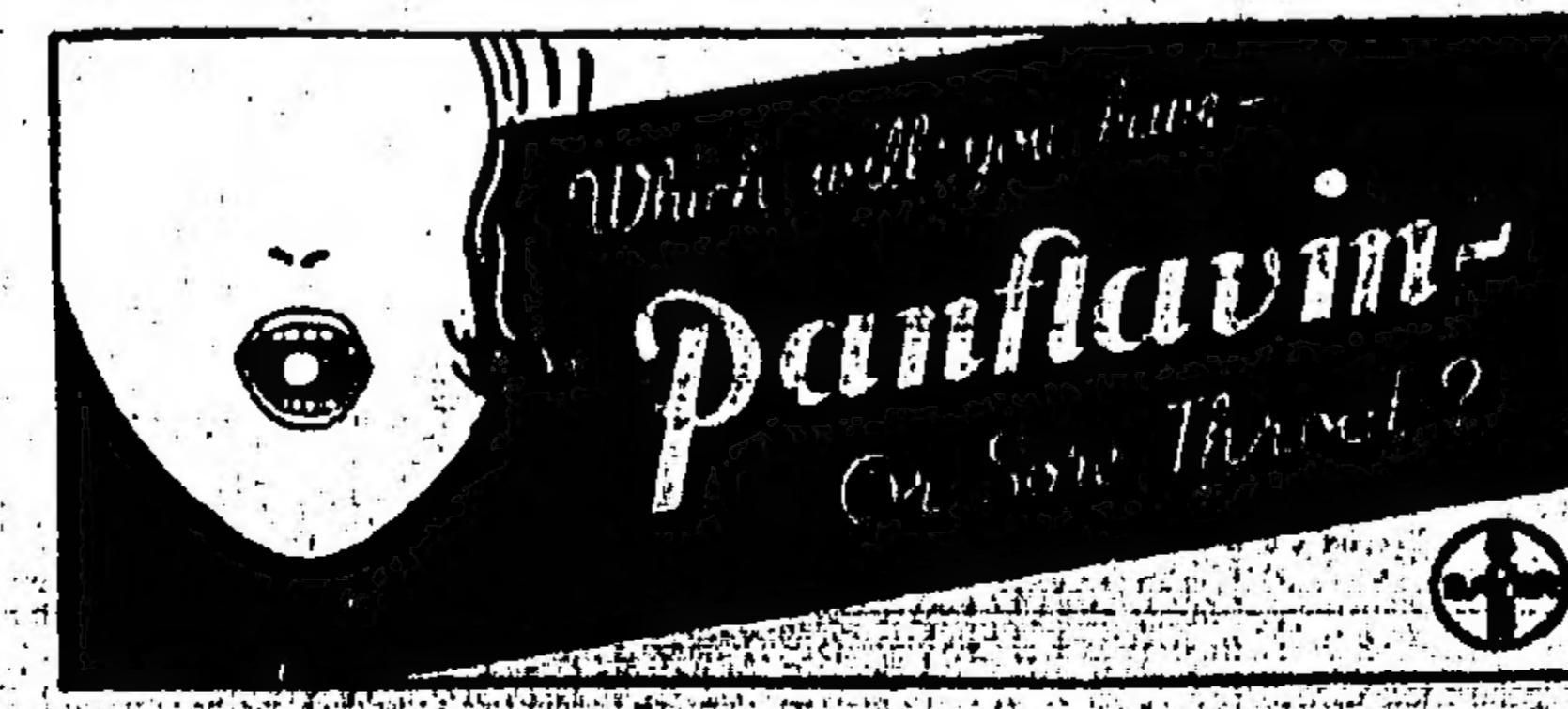
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Paulette Goddard Ends Romance With Charlie Chaplin

CHAPLIN IN THE EAST



CHARLIE CHAPLIN and Paulette Goddard photographed during their Far Eastern tour last year.

Mother's Clue Led To Arrest Of Son

Paris. UNWITTINGLY, a mother has been responsible for her son's arrest in connection with the murder last September of seven-year-old Odette Lorant, a daughter of a French stonemason.

Odette's body was recently found buried in a field.

A handkerchief marked with the letter "J" was unearthed at the same time, but the police were unaware of this.

The person who found it was the mother of a 25-years-old farm labourer named Joseph Gontier.

She has since told the father of the dead girl that when she washed the handkerchief, a coloured one, the water became all red.

M. Lorant immediately asked to see it, and took it to the examining magistrate, who in his turn had the house searched where Joseph Gontier lives with his wife.

OTHERS FOUND

A number of similar handkerchiefs to the one found in the field were discovered, and the farm labourer was arrested and charged with the murder.

After Odette's disappearance a man named Jourdain was arrested, but has now been released.

Questioned to-night, Joseph Gontier is stated to have agreed that the handkerchief had belonged to him, but his mother states that it is hers, and that she dropped it the day the field was being dug up.

Gunboat Captain In College

Seattle. Capt. Fred W. Griffins, 65, retired naval reserve officer, is the oldest student at the University of Washington. His experiences have been many. He has been a gunboat captain, Indian school teacher, a nurseryman and now college student.

"DEATH CORNER" HAS GALLERY

London. Sitting on a wall at a dangerous bend in the road known as Death Corner, waiting for car crashes, is the favourite pastime of villagers at Sutton Scotney, Hampshire. This pastime was revealed in the local court when a motorcyclist was fined for dangerous driving.

G.B.S. To Teach Hollywood

Mr. Bernard Shaw is going to teach Hollywood how to make a film—a British film, the story of his play "Pygmalion".

"I am going to teach the Americans one of the things they don't know—how to put English drama on the screen," he told the *News Chronicle* recently.

"Will you be supervising the making of the film?" he has asked.

"From beginning to end," said Mr. Shaw. "Every word in the film will be written by me. Not the least regard will be paid to American ideas, except to avoid them as much as possible."

"The only concession to America will be the trivial alteration of one or two English words which Americans don't understand, in order that they won't be wasted on them."

"Pram," for instance, will be "baby carriage" in the film which goes to America. For "copper's mark" I shall give them "stool pigeon," and for "toff" "dude." That is the extent of it."

ABORIGINES DEMAND EQUALITY

Sydney. The Aborigines' Progressive Association, consisting mostly of educated aborigines living in New South Wales country towns, has sent a deputation to Mr. Lyons, Commonwealth Prime Minister, demanding full citizenship rights and equality with whites in education and ownership of land and property.

Mr. Lyons has offered to call a conference of State Ministers responsible for care of aborigines to discuss improvements in their condition.

SHE WILL MAKE A NEW BID FOR HOLLYWOOD FAME

News flash from Hollywood: "Story Paulette Goddard biggest thing presently in Hollywood and been goal every newspaperman here for year. Story would appear easy to obtain but contrary true so far."

Well, here's the story. Paulette Goddard is through with Charlie Chaplin. They say she married him. But Paulette says: "Charlie has been too busy to bother with me. He has been away for weeks, and I have been lonely . . ."

Paulette has broken away from Charlie's fatherly influence. She has signed a contract with David Selznick. According to the latest cable from Hollywood she is being extensively tested for the role of Scarlett O'Hara in the Selznick £300,000 production of the American best-seller, "Gone With The Wind."

CHARLIE WOULDN'T LISTEN

Paulette amuses her romance with Charlie in these words:

"I am so keen to play the part of Scarlett that not even Charlie's displeasure can stop me."

"I tried to tell him I had signed with Selznick, but he would not listen."

"He insisted that I should appear with him in a new picture he is writing. He has told me dozens of times that the story was ready, only to tear it up later . . . He gets enthusiastic over an idea, then drops it."

That sounds like the end of a story in a remarkable film romance. It's as sudden as the beginning was. And it went like this:

Scene One, Take One: Mystery atmosphere. Chaplin planning new picture. Who will be the leading lady?

Scene One, Take Two: Paulette Goddard, platinum blonde ex-Ziegfeld Folies Girl, meets Charlie on Joe Schenk's yacht.

Scene Two, Take One: Joe Schenk reports: "Charlie has never been so happy in his life. He has a story and the lady is ambitious. She will spur him on. I think Charlie in love will be a great producer."

SHE WALKED OUT

Scene Two, Take Two: Paulette Goddard arrived New York from Hollywood. Believed to be buying trousseau for wedding with Charlie Chaplin. Charlie publicly kissed her farewell at station.

Scene Three, Take One: Paulette Goddard becomes Chaplin's lead in "Modern Times."

Scene Three, Take Two: Paulette Goddard, according to word-wide reports, almost steals picture.

Scene Four, Take One: Charlie says he will produce Paulette in a new picture.

Scene Four, Take Two: He won't. Scene Four, Take Three: He will. All right. Paulette Goddard has walked out.

Charlie made her a film star. Now she's going to be a star in her own right, even if it breaks a romance.

Modern Times. . . .

ALL LIT UP IN LION'S CAGE

New York. Boston's drunks will no longer be sent to city jails. They will be paraded through the streets in an illuminated lion's cage hauled by a police car.

Mayor William Kane, annoyed by increased jail costs, has announced his plan to borrow a cage from a wild animal training camp.

Royal Marines' Frock Coats

PRE-WAR DRESS OF OFFICERS REVIVED

The frock-coat is to be re-introduced as part of the dress of officers of the Royal Marines. The King's approval of this change was announced in an Admiralty Fleet Order issued recently.

After the outbreak of the war the frock coat worn on ceremonial occasions had dropped out of use in the Royal Marines.

Another change is in the officer's great coat, which is to be repined by one similar in pattern to that of the Army infantry officer. Coats of the present pattern may be used until worn out.

An optional garment is to be a boat cloak similar to that worn by naval officers, but with a crimson silk lining.

A blue field service cap has also been introduced for wear on board ship when in mess kit, while a khaki field-service cap of the type worn by Army officers will be used for other occasions.

An officer of the Royal Marines Brigade office at Chatham told a representative of a London newspaper recently that the changes filled long-felt wants and were very popular.

"Frock coats," he said, "will be worn by Marine officers as they are worn by Naval officers—when on duty on deck with telescope, for visiting other warships, and for church parade. At present we have nothing between full dress, suitable only for most formal occasions, and patrol dress."

"The new great coat will be longer than the present one, and will button right up to the chin, instead of being open at the neck."

"The new boat cloak will be much more suitable than a great coat, when getting from ship to ship, and the blue field service cap will be much more comfortable on ship for mess kit, where space may be rather restricted, than the present peaked cap."

THE ONLY PATIENT

Stricken with leprosy 18 months ago, a 30-year-old foreign seaman was unaware he had the disease until he was examined when his ship arrived in the Mersey. He is now a patient in an otherwise empty hospital at Liverpool.

Inquiries were made recently about hiring an aeroplane from Croydon to Athens with a view to repatriating the man as soon as possible.

Dr. E. P. Pearce, assistant port medical officer, states that there is no danger of anyone catching the disease by contact.

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**WHERE WILL
GERMANY
POUNCE NEXT?**

Herr Hitler, leader of the German peoples, from time to time has expostulated when persons beyond his influence have expressed the opinion that his desire for peace is not altogether sincere. Few would be so rash as to suggest that Herr Hitler, or for that matter any large majority of the German people, want war for war's sake; or that they even desire war as a means of achieving their national aims. But there is no longer any sense in denying that Germany, her leaders and her people, are prepared to resort to war in order to enforce their will internationally. It has been shown in the past that Germany was ready to risk conflict in the course of her political manoeuvring. If any final proof were required it was provided by the march into Austria. France, for one, had frequently declared that any such action would be met with resistance. However, since Austria herself did not have a chance to resist, France had a way of retreat from a dangerous commitment. Moreover she was in the throes of a cabinet crisis. But France's sanity does not erase the fact that Germany provided her with plenty of excuse for armed intervention.

Therefore, when Dr. Goebbels made a speech Thursday at Nuremberg and declared the German belief that the "rare moment has come when the world is to be distributed anew," German people will forgive those who feel apprehensive lest the Teutonic policy should once again lead to action which entails the risk of war. For apparently the ambitions of Berlin are by no means satisfied. This redistribution of the world which Dr. Goebbels talks about will mean the sacrificing of someone's liberty or some other power's possessions. As the greatest Empire of this or any other day owes allegiance to the British Crown, the nations which constitute it are bound to feel themselves to some extent objects of envy and possibly of acquisitiveness of the German Government. When Dr. Goebbels says that the British Cabinet cannot spend its week-ends quietly as formerly he obviously alludes to the recognition of the possibility of collision between British interests on the one hand and German ambitions on the other.

It is of very little use trying to predict the course of the contemplated expansion of the German Reich. A year ago most commentators on European affairs foresaw a coup, bloodless

**Which are YOU This Morning
Dr. Jekyll or
Mr. Hyde?**
**Asks
MARGARET
LANE**
ally, two persons, and the one
disclaims responsibility for the
other.**No Conscience**

HENRY JEKYLL,
more than half a century ago,
stood at times aghast before
the acts of Edward Hyde; but
the situation was apart from
ordinary laws, and insidiously
relaxed the grasp of conscience.

"It was Hyde, after all, and
Hyde alone, that was guilty.
Jekyll was no worse; he woke
again to his good qualities seem-
ingly unimpaired; he would even
make haste, where it was possi-
ble, to undo the evil done by
Hyde. And thus his conscience
slumbered...." You recognise
the feeling?

The indulgence of Hyde is a
way of making up for the re-
pressions and disappointments of
Jekyll. The man who is a
despot in the office, reducing
typists to tears and making
office boys tremble, may bow
meekly to a very different au-
thority at home.

The woman who makes a
point of being the life and soul
of the party in other people's
houses may be a vixen of ill
temper in her own family.

A Magic Drug

THE child who is a little
demon at school may
be an angel at home—a common
form of youthful Jekyll-and-
Hydeishness that makes it diffi-
cult for parents and teachers to
see eye to eye.

A friend of mine once dis-
covered that the best butler of
his life was also a burglar, and
had got the pantry cupboards
(Continued on Page 16.)

IT may be of interest to men-
tion here that the festival
of Ts'ing Ming is one of the
oldest on record, dating back
as far as 265 B.C.

Chinese tradition affirms that
its origin was due to a well
authenticated circumstance con-
nected with the tragic history
of a certain Kuan Tsi-tui, a
faithful but unfortunate fol-
lower of Prince Tsung-yi of
Tsui Kingdom.

It is related that Prince
Tsung-yi, having been banished
by his father owing to the fact
that one of the latter's fickle
concubines had falsely accused
him of attempting to commit
suicide, was accompanied on
his travels through the various
states by the loyal Kuan.

At length, it was fated by
Heaven that Tsung-yi should
occupy his father's throne, and
in the distribution of emolu-
ments to his followers, the un-
grateful prince neglected to re-
member his faithful friend.
Kuan Tsi-tui then partook him-
self to the mountains where he
lived as a hermit. Eventually,
however, the Prince recalled the
services of his erstwhile friend,
and commanded his followers to
search for him and bring him
to the Court, so that he might
be at last suitably rewarded,
but all their efforts were in
vain.

The Prince, as a final resort,
ordered the mountains to be set
on fire, and Chinese history suc-
cinctly records that Kuan Tsi-tui
perished in the flames.

The Prince was overcome
with remorse, and in retribu-
tion for his shameless conduct,
decreed that a festival in
memory of this loyal friend
should be instituted.

In the course of the ages, the
original significance of the event
became obscured, and the pur-
pose of Ts'ing Ming became ex-
tended until now it is a verita-
ble "All Souls' Day" in com-
memoration of the departed
ancestors of a great nation.

**T. PAUL GREGORY on
The FESTIVAL of
PURE BRIGHTNESS**

ONE of the most colourful
and most significant
festivals of the Chinese
people is that of "Pure
Brightness" or Ts'ing Ming.

No other fete enjoys such
a wide appeal, or is more
whole-heartedly celebrated;
for its observance is typi-
cally Chinese and attests
the nation's profound veneration
for the spirits of its
departed ancestors.

Although the occasion has
scarcely a counterpart in
western popular custom,
save with the sole exception
of the United States, where,
a similar observance known
as Decoration Day is held
annually on May 30, the
event arouses a chord of
sympathy and understanding in
occidental hearts; for respect to
the memory of the dead is an
inherent characteristic of the
majority of mankind.

Ts'ing Ming was observed
on April 5, and the day
was the occasion for cere-
monial visits to the various
cemeteries on the island and on
the mainland.

The form of worship carried
out at the tomb is very impres-
sive, and consists of an elabor-
ate ritual of ceremonial bowings
or "kowtows", coupled with the
offering of incense and the burn-
ing of *yuen-po*, or "imitation
paper money", for the benefit
of the dead.

★ ★ ★

OWING to the Sino-Japanese
conflict, many patriotic
Chinese in the South have
voluntarily curtailed a portion
of the ceremonials, and have
dedicated the funds saved there-
by to the national cause.

One of the items which have
been temporarily abandoned is
the employment of roast pork
in the sacrifices; and the vernac-
ular press is full of accounts of
the number of soldiers' rain-
coats, etc. which have been
bought with the funds ordinarily
expended in the ritual of
Ts'ing Ming.

★ ★ ★

TS'ING MING is one of the
three great annual festivals
in honour of the dead, and
whilst it is not a fixed feast, yet
it can be readily calculated,
since it is assumed to take place
some 105 days after the Winter
Solstice.

In northern China, it is some-
times termed the *Laang-sai*, or
"Cool Festival", on account of
the traditional partaking of cold
food on the three days prior to
the event.

Observances vary widely, and,
as in most festive events of the
Chinese people, there is present
an extensive amount of super-
stitious practice.

An example is the curious
custom of putting up weeping
willow branches at the doors of
every house.

The reason for this, is that
during the three days preced-
ing Ts'ing Ming, the ghosts
of the dead have been liberated
from the Underworld, and are
permitted to visit their old
haunts on earth. Let us
say that they should intrude into homes where



—Phipps in the "Daily Mail"
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PICTORIAL SUPPLEMENT

SATURDAY, APRIL 9, 1938

Readers are invited
to submit photographs
of local interest for
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supplement.



MEMBERS OF THE STAFF of the Commodore's Office, Royal Naval Yard, Hongkong, 1938.
(Photo: A. Hing.)



LIEUT. J. C. O'DWYER, of the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, and his bride, formerly Miss Penelope Tysen, who were married at the Registry Office last Saturday. (Photo: Mee Cheung.)



GOLF TEAMS OF THE Asiatic Petroleum Company and the Standard-Vacuum Oil Company, who played their annual match at Fanling on Sunday. The A.P.C. team won by 16 points to 8. (Photo: Mee Cheung.)



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VICTORIA NURSING DIVISION of St. John Ambulance Brigade, winners of the Edith Kotewall Shield. (Photo: Mee Cheung.)



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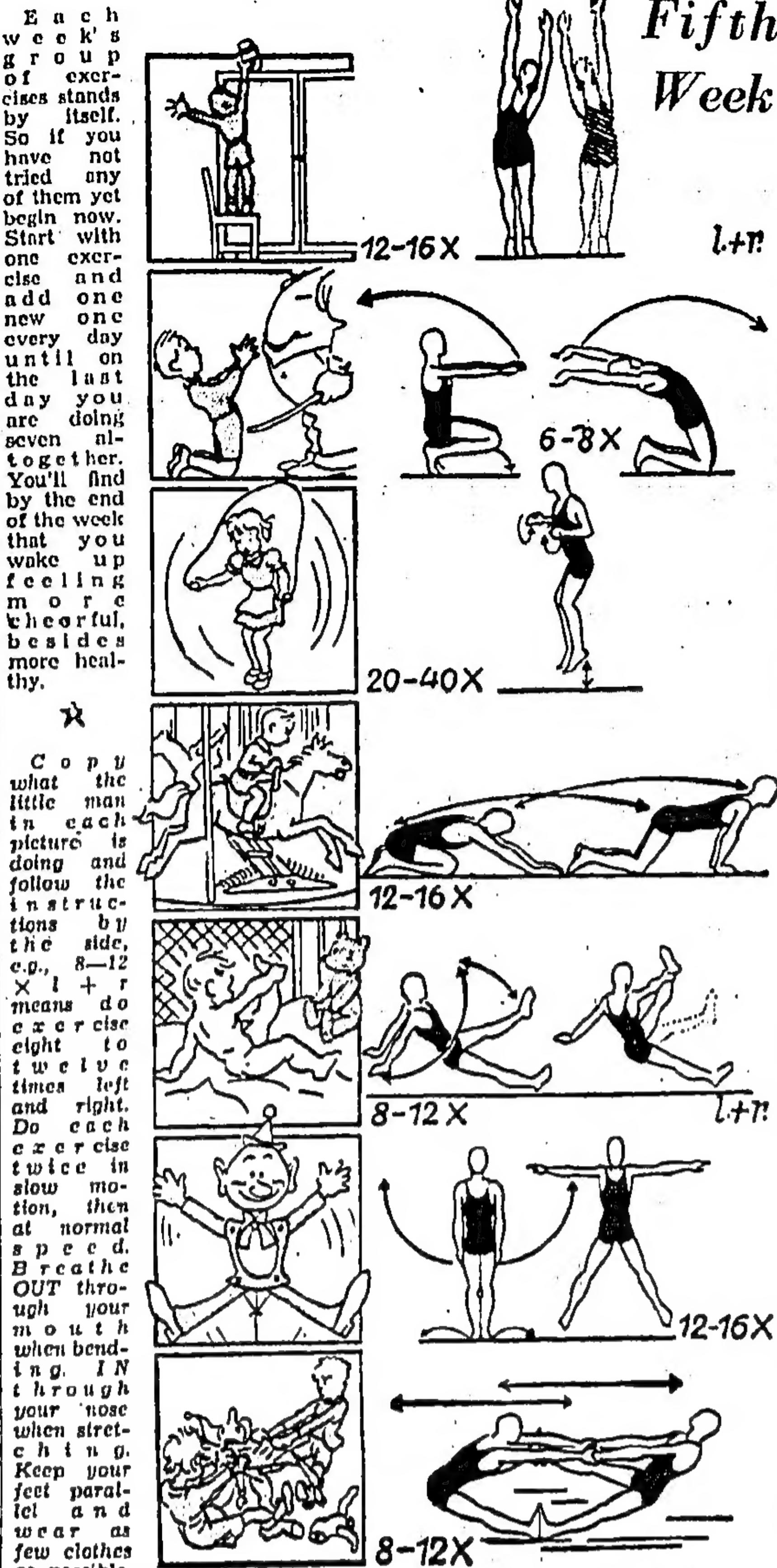
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Fifth Week

Of Course You Know, But Are You Sure?

By "The Dragoman"

HERE'S your weekly quiz—needing no introduction except to remind you that you take two points for every question answered correctly. A Thirty Total is just So-So, Forty is good, and anything above Extra.

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11.—Speaking of things local, I'll bet you two points you don't know that in the old days, what was known as "Jackson's Folly" was—

The Peak Tramway; Hongkong and Shanghai Bank; New Territories Lease; Balloon Descent From the Peak; Mrs. Jackson.

12.—One rod; pole or perch—as we used to say at school—equals—22 yards; two furlongs; 18 feet; 80 chains; 5½ yards; 17½ feet.

13.—Wellington is the capital of New Zealand—I'll tell you that much. All you've got to say is that it's in—North Island; South Island.

14.—With all this Jewish trouble in Germany and Austria one cannot wonder that the fate of the ten lost tribes of Israel is a mystery. Which of these tribes was not lost—

Reuben; Gad; Mannasseh; Judah; Zebulon.

15.—Someone offered me a curassow which I refused to accept because I don't—Like pork; drink liqueurs; wear jewelry; keep birds; save antiques.

16.—I'm not boasting myself, but when I'm asked to do anything, I make a practice of doing it indefinitely, meaning I do it—In my own time; very well; with good grace; immediately; without thinking.

17.—Ah! I knew it—a mistake! The word spelled incorrectly (don't ask your florist) is—Chrysanthemum; hydrangea; daffodil; jessamine; narcissus.

18.—Since water is such a burning subject in Hongkong, everyone should know that the average mileage of flying fish per hour is—Ten; fifteen; eight; forty; thirty; twenty-five.

19.—Murgatroyd—if you believe him—used to be an officer in the senior service, meaning he was in the—Army; Navy; Tank Corps; Air Force; Secret Service; Intelligence Department.

20.—You will—if you know us much as I hope you do—recognise a pailldrome among these—An Olympic sports ground; a two-humped camel; a motor racing arena; Glenelg; a young octopus.

21.—Maybe he said it and maybe he didn't, but the man alleged to have said "Kiss me, Hardy," was—General Wolfe; Lord Clive; Stan Laurel; Lord Nelson; Ann Harding's husband.

22.—Having been in the navy, Murgatroyd (the boaster) is always parading his nautical knowledge. He tells me the number of points on a ship's compass is—4; 18; 12; 16; 24; 32; 64.

23.—A synonym is a word you use when you can't spell the other one, but a pseudonym is a—Figure of speech; birthmark; a fictitious name; an opposite; a false postal address.

24.—If someone calls you a hedonist, take it on the chin. After all, it only means you—Kidnap babies; don't go to church; live for pleasure; collect butterflies; worship the sun.

25.—Play fair and don't ring up the Bishop. On what date does Good Friday fall this year?

Nobody Is Safe

EPISODE 66 FROM

INSPECTOR PLAYFAIR'S NOTEBOOK

JOSHUA PLAYFAIR was brooding over the Ashcan Corner murder case.

"Criminals are a queer race, Dumbell," he was saying. "I suppose psychologists can explain their behaviour; you must tell me when you've worked through Critchley's textbook." In this allusion to Dumbell's studies—he was not getting on very fast—the sergeant, as usual, assumed a disarming air of profanity. "Ar!" he sighed. "It's a mystery, the criminal mind, sir. We've hardly explored the fringes of it."

"Quite so, quite so," said Playfair hastily. "Keep that for your next essay, Dumbell. I was thinking about this fellow Fentittle. Why, having got away with a perfectly good murder, does he give himself away by talking to tram-conductors? Conscience? Nerves? Vanity? Or just downright stupidity? For stupid he must be, our Mr. Fentittle, in spite of the care with which his crime seems to have been planned."

Dumbell was excited. "He's confessed, sir, has he?"

"No," said Playfair. "Not yet. He'll end by confessing; his type always does. At the moment, he thinks he can get off. I know he can't, though."

Dumbell handed his cigarette-case. "I'm all ears, sir."

"You've read what was in the papers," said Playfair. "The murder at Ashcan Corner took place three days ago; it was a brutal affair, and we don't yet know the motive. Self-preservation, I daresay; the victim was in with a gang of toughs and he may have had something on Fentittle. Anyway, his head was bashed in with a tyre-lever, or some such instrument."

"There were no clues," he said. "Nothing but murders. Nobody is safe; nobody—and vanishes. The conductor looks at him curiously, but doesn't catch sight of his face; there's a crowd of people getting on and off. And Fentittle disappears into the night, leaving a consoling thought behind him."

Dumbell was puzzled. "Listen, sir," he said. "I don't understand any of this. If the conductor couldn't see the face of the man who handed him the paper, how could he, as you say he did, put you on to Fentittle?"

Playfair laughed. "Well done, Dumbell; you've solved that first one in one. The conductor didn't see his face, but he saw his coat, which has a fairly distinctive pattern. When, next day, he read about the murder, he naturally recalled his passenger's strange conversation. He at once got into touch with us; and his description of the coat suggested something to one of our people."

"I begin to see," said Dumbell. "Fentittle, when tackled, could produce no alibi!"

"On the contrary, he's put up a fairly good one. We shan't be able to break it—unless we can prove he was on the tram. He points out, perfectly correctly, that there will be other coats like his."

Conclusive Evidence

Dumbell thought hard. "Some one or more passengers saw him."

"No one has come forward so far." Dumbell slipped his knee. "I've got it," he said. "The paper! Fentittle's fingerprints were on that paper that he handed to the conductor."

"Sorry to disappoint you," said Playfair. "There were no prints on the paper—Fentittle was wearing gloves."

"Then how on earth—" exclaimed Dumbell. "You are sure it's Fentittle? You're not pulling my leg, sir?"

"Not a bit," grinned Playfair. "The evidence I have is conclusive. What is it?"

(Solution on Page Three)

A Lay Sermon

ONE wonders what might happen if the Church of God, instead of vainly debating "miracles" appointed a spiritual research commission to study the works of Jesus Christ with special regard to His promises. It seems more than a little likely that science would have some shocks.

Greater works than these.

How strange it is that men who

themselves perform, and take for granted, many greater works of their kind than were done by Jesus should question His power to do other things of which they have not yet learned the secret. We should think nothing today, for instance, of flying across the Sea of Galilee, or navigating beneath its surface, but our "intellectuals" are pleased to doubt whether Jesus could walk on its waters.

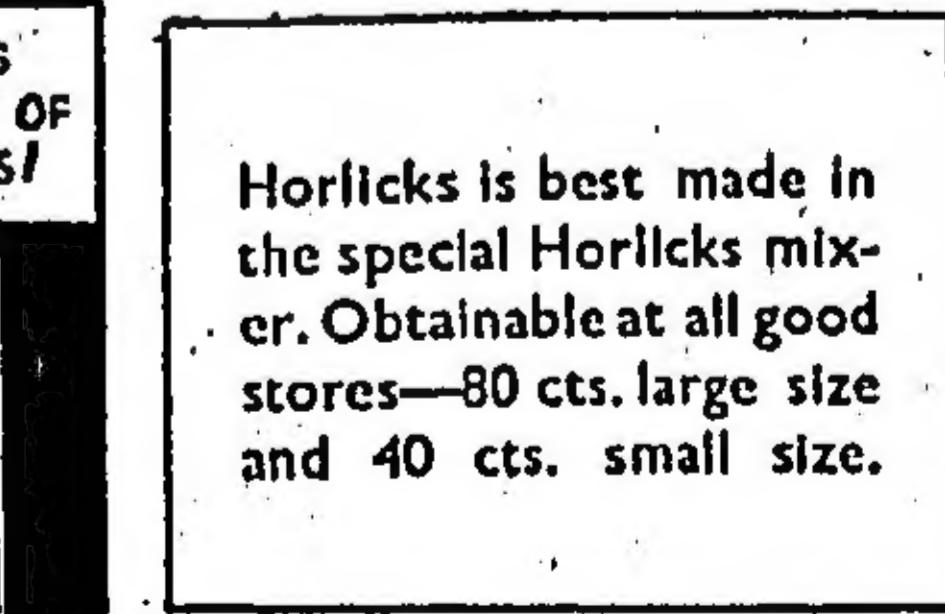
Scientists, as a general rule,

prefer physics to metaphysics.

We might be laughing, if that were not so, at some of their so-called triumphs, achieved with such infinite physical labour when the spiritual way was so much more simple.

"The wisdom of this world is foolishness with God." But it might be brought to true knowledge yet, learning of Him who wrought wonders because He was meek and lowly of heart.

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It's just the same with interests. Divide yours—and they will bring you in a variety of dividends in the way of entertainment and social contacts—and keep you in touch with what's going on around you.

Men don't like you...

1. To feel that it is altogether their job to cut the grass. It is an excellent way of slimming and doesn't cost anything. Pulling the lawn roller is also good for the figure. Should you decide to get out the mowing machine it is as well to look over the grass for stray stones that may damage the blades of the machine.

2. To play their favourite gramophone records without changing the needle frequently. Like books, records should not be lent to people unless it is certain that you will get them back within a reasonable time.

3. To make a habit of asking them to hold things, whether a parcel, a skein of wool or some curtain material; it invariably takes too long.

4. To get out of a sports car by pulling yourself up with the aid of the windscreen, which is a fragile thing and the glass alone costs quite a lot of money. The purpose of the windscreen is to deaden the weight of the wind and not support a woman weighing anything from five stones upwards.

5. To overlook the fact that no man has ever succeeded in leaving the bath as he found it without the help of some suitable cleaning powder. See that there is always some handy.

Talk of Fiance

THE engaged girl who can talk of nothing else except her fiance, her wedding, her household arrangements. She has no interest in hearing of a friend's holiday abroad, or another girl's broken romance.

The girl with only one interest soon becomes a bore and she soon becomes selfish, too. For she talks so much about her own husband, hobby, or children—as the case may be—that she soon begins to feel that it is the only thing that matters.

Margaret Stevens

Each week's group of exercises stands by itself. So if you have not tried any of them yet begin now. Start with one exercise and add one new one every day until on the last day you are doing seven altogether. You'll find by the end of the week that you wake up feeling more cheerful, besides more healthy.

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The SNAPSHOT GUILD

"CANDID" BABY PICTURES



No camera-consciousness in this young maestro! Any parent will treasure an album of expressive snaps such as this one.

HAVE you ever thought of taking a series of "candid" or "off-guard" pictures of the baby in his lighter or more active moments, and saving them in a special album entitled "We Knew Him When"?

Any parent who owns a camera can build up a splendid collection of pictures such as this, and, if your baby is like most babies, the same pose or expression will never pop up twice.

A small baby is probably the world's ideal subject for "off-guard" pictures, because he is altogether lacking in camera consciousness. Once he learns that you won't let him chew the corners off the interesting black gadget, or pull the shiny pieces of glass out of the front, he dismisses the matter and proceeds to more important things. Thereafter, you can shoot away to your heart's content.

You don't need a high-speed miniature camera to take "candid" pictures of this sort. A speedy lens is helpful, because then you can use higher shutter speeds and catch the youngster when he is trying his skill at somersaults or endeavoring to

John van Gelder

SOLUTIONS NOW YOU KNOW

1. Toad.
2. Sure, 'tis like a morn in spring.
3. Flying pastries.
4. High society.
5. One less than bogey.
6. Beetle.
7. Dromedary.
8. Diving.
9. Fruit.
10. The Ballad of Reading Gaol.
11. Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.
12. North Island.
13. Judah.
14. Keep birds (Curassow is a kind).
15. Immediately.
16. Hydrangeas—should be hydrangeas.
17. 18 m.p.h.
18. Nine.
19. Glenelg (a palindrome is a word that spells the same backwards).
20. Lord Nelson.
21. Channing Coker—WHITE, WHITE, TRITE, TRICK, TRICK, BRICK, BLACK, BLACK.
22. Initial Please—Dark, Brake, Bowl, Dear, Block, Brick.
23. April 15.

DIVERSIONS

Round the Banks—Commander and Painter; Boatswain and Commodore; Corporal and Sergeant; Colonel and Admiral.

Post and Poem—Longfellow, "The White Birch."

Changing Color—WHITE, WHITE, TRITE, TRICK, TRICK, BRICK, BLACK, BLACK.

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NOBODY IS SAFE

Fentil little had absent-mindedly put his tram-ticket in the pocket of his coat.

WEEK-END PROBLEMS

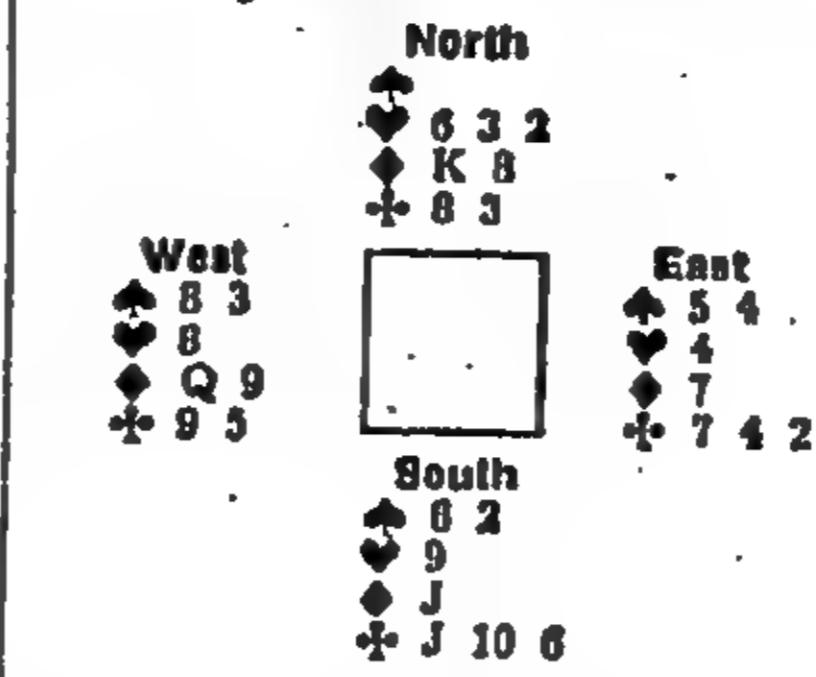
PROBLEM I.—EGGFELLOW'S

35 eggs were bought.
Amelia spent 7s. (40+25)—
12 eggs.
Brenda spent 7s. (30+30)—
12 eggs.
Cecil spent 7s. (64+8)—
11 eggs.

PROBLEM II.—INTRUDERS

The "intruders" are:
(1) Beckenham. The others are London Boroughs.
(2) Tchekov. The others are composers.
(3) Pendennis (by Thackeray).
(4) Backgammon. The other games are all played with playing-cards.
(5) Auriga. The other constellations are all "signs of the Zodiac."

Bridge Problem No. 53



Hearts are Trumps. South to lead, North, and South to make all the tricks.

Solution to "Bridge Problem," Hongkong Telegraph, Wyndham Street, by 3 p.m., Wednesday.

SOLUTION TO NO. 52

Following is the solution to last week's problem:

South leads the six of Clubs and North trumps with five of Hearts, North then leads the ten of Hearts South discarding the Queen of Spades, North now leads a Diamond and South makes two Diamond tricks. South now places the lead in West's hand by playing the four of Spades, North now makes the eight of Spades and the last Diamond.

Correct solutions from A.E.G., F.H.T., E.M.A., "Seasy," Mrs. A.K., "58023."

Dear Kiddies.—The Cake competition last week was really very easy, wasn't it? A few of you did not guess No. 3 correctly, but, on the whole, most of you sent in correct answers. Which, of course, made it really difficult for me to choose the winners. To make it fair, I put all the Senior entries in one hat and the Junior entries in another and picked out.

Wong Chiu-yung (aged 14), 18, Caine Road, Hongkong; and Ursula Escher (aged 9), 78, Taipo Road, 2nd Floor, Kowloon:

as the winners of last week's competition.

I am sending Wong Chiu-yung and Ursula coupons which I want them to bring to the "Hongkong Telegraph" offices in Wyndham Street. They will then be exchanged for money prizes.

Now, although I would like to commend you all for getting the correct answers, I am afraid I would need a whole newspaper to do it. So, therefore, I have picked out a few who sent in neat entries. They are:

Girls' and Boys' Corner

This week, I want you to write an essay for me. It must not exceed 200 words and the subject is "What I intend to do during the Easter Holidays." Make your stories as interesting as possible. Send them to Uncle Eddie, c/o "Hongkong Telegraph," Wyndham Street, before 4 p.m. on Wednesday. Two prizes will again be given. Remember neat writing will count a lot when I decide on the winners.

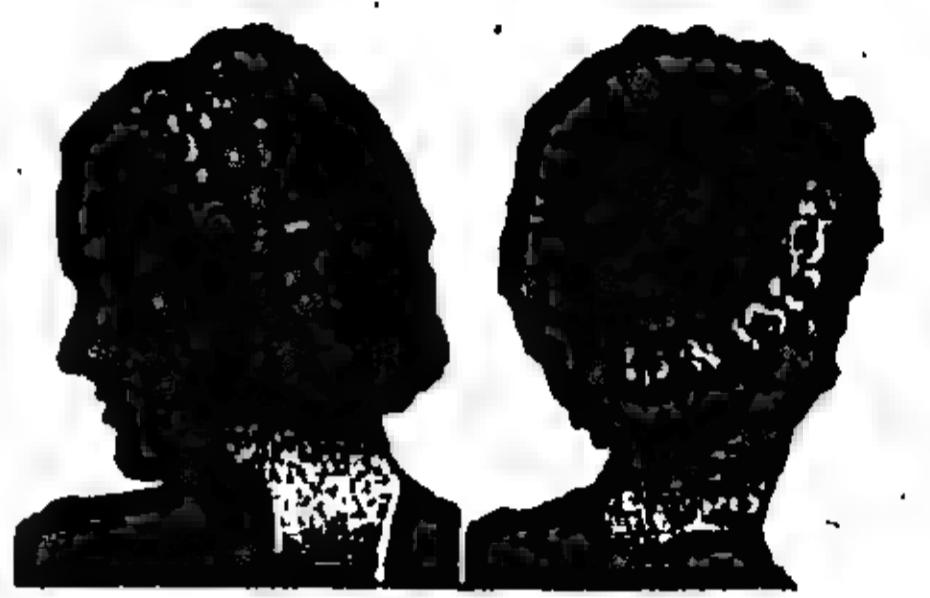
Uncle Eddie.

Joke

Sent by Charles Clark.
Walter: Well sir, do you like your special soup to-day.

Diner: Rotten, it tastes like floor polish.

Walter: It ought to be, we polish all our floors with it.



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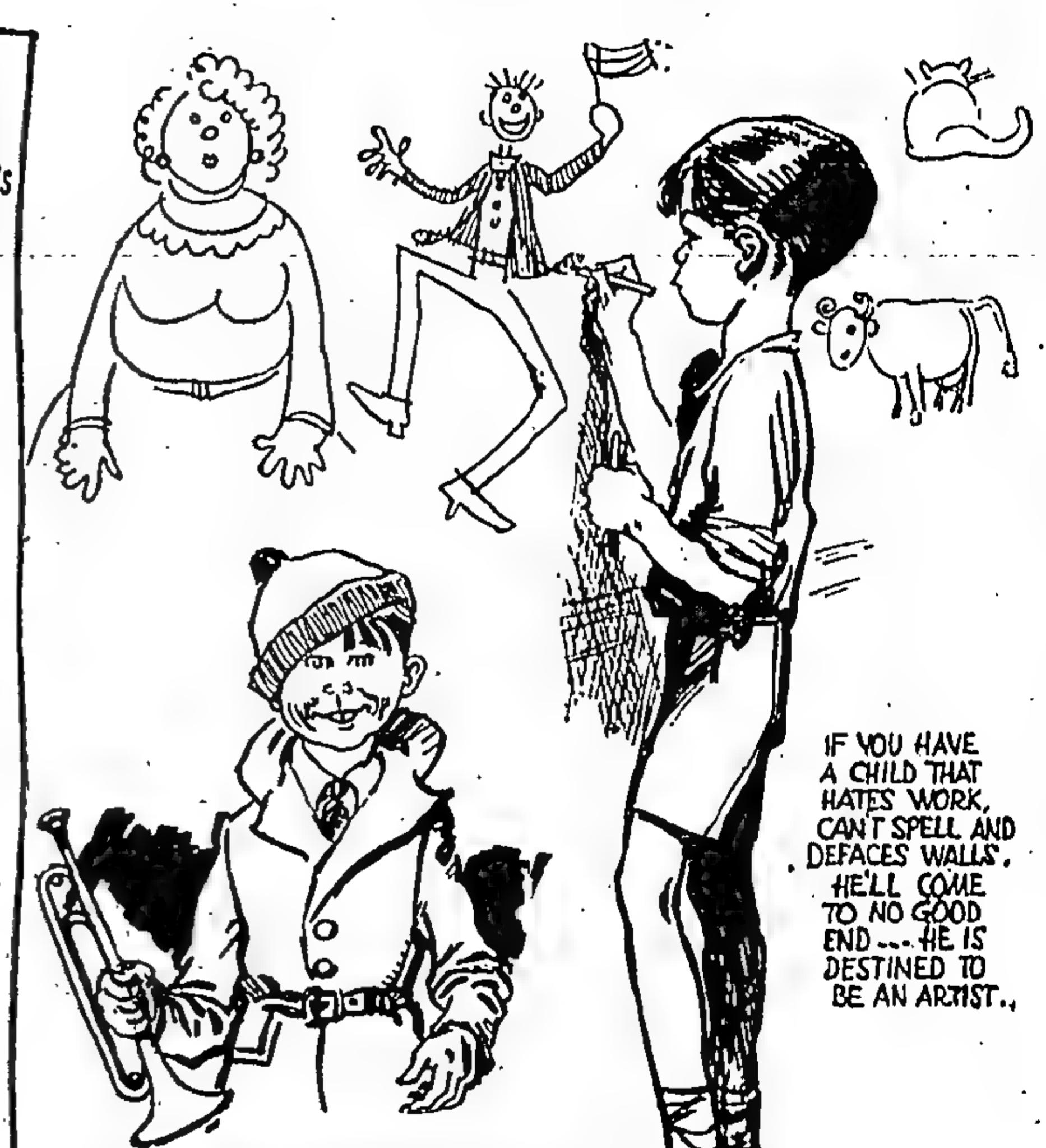


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—A DIAGNOSTICIAN

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IF YOU HAVE A CHILD THAT HATES WORK, CAN SPELL AND DEFACES WALLS, HELL COME TO NO GOOD END... HE IS DESTINED TO BE AN ARTIST.



IF YOU CATCH HIM SWIPING MONEY OFF THE COLLECTION PLATE IN CHURCH IT POINTS TOWARD HIM BEING A FINANCER.

IT'S THE LAZY ONES THAT BECOME INVENTORS AND THINK UP THE LABOR-SAVING DEVICES THAT MAKE OUR LIVES SO PLEASANT.



IF THEY HAVE INQUIRING MINDS AND WANT TO KNOW WHAT MAKES FROGS HOP? WHY DO CATS MEOW? WHY IS WATER WET?... AND SO ON—THEY'RE GOING TO BE SCIENTISTS—or DADARD MUSANGS.



INTER-SCHOOL ATHLETIC SPORTS.—V. Krysanoff (below) broke the record in the shot put event at the Inter-School Athletic Meeting last weekend. Photo above shows one of the competitors in the high jump.—Staff Photographer.



ANOTHER FINE ACTION PHOTOGRAPH of a competitor in the high jump at the Inter-School Athletic Meeting last week-end.—Staff Photographer.



WON IN FINE STYLE.—C. Hosegood (Central British School) won the 100-metre sprint in fine style at the Inter-School Athletic Meeting last week.—Staff Photographer.



OVER THE HURDLES.—A fine action photograph of a competitor in the 100-metre high hurdles event at the Inter-School Athletic Meeting last weekend.—Staff Photographer.



CHARMING BRIDE IN PINK.—Miss Williamina Miller made a charming bride in her gown of pink silk net over pink taffeta for her wedding last Saturday to Mr. H. S. McKay, of the Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.—Staff Photographer.

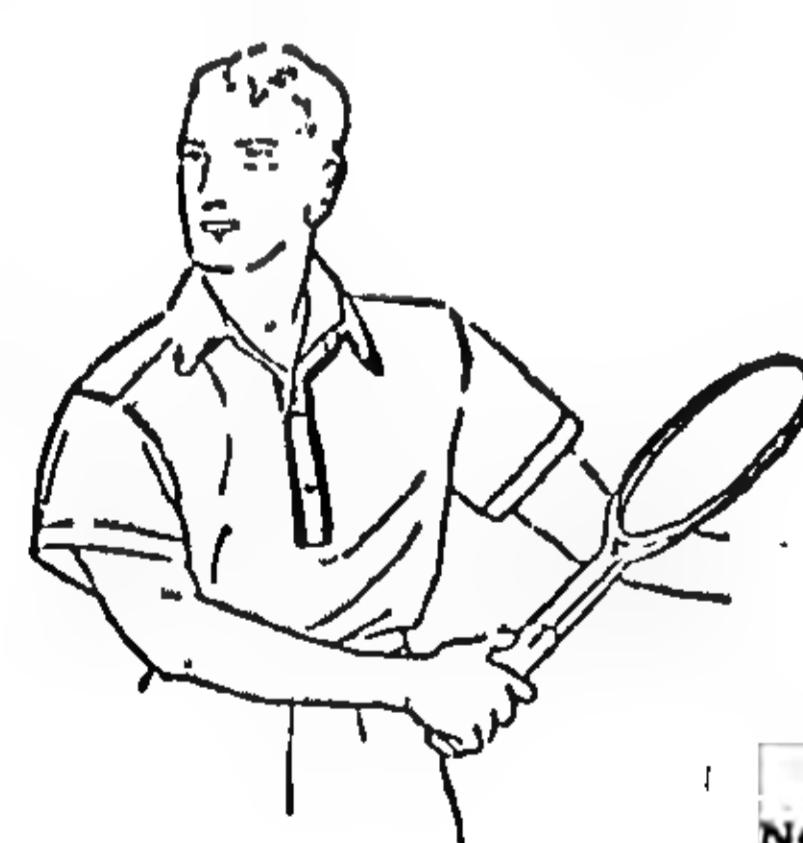


RECENT WEDDING of Mr. Lam Tsun and Miss Wong Mu-hing, which took place at the Luk Kwok Hotel. (Photo: King's Studio).



THE GOVERNOR OF MACAO (left), Mr. J. P. Braga, Consul for Portugal and Commander F. L. Rebello, of the Portuguese light cruiser Bartholomeu Dias, photographed during His Excellency's recent visit to Hongkong.

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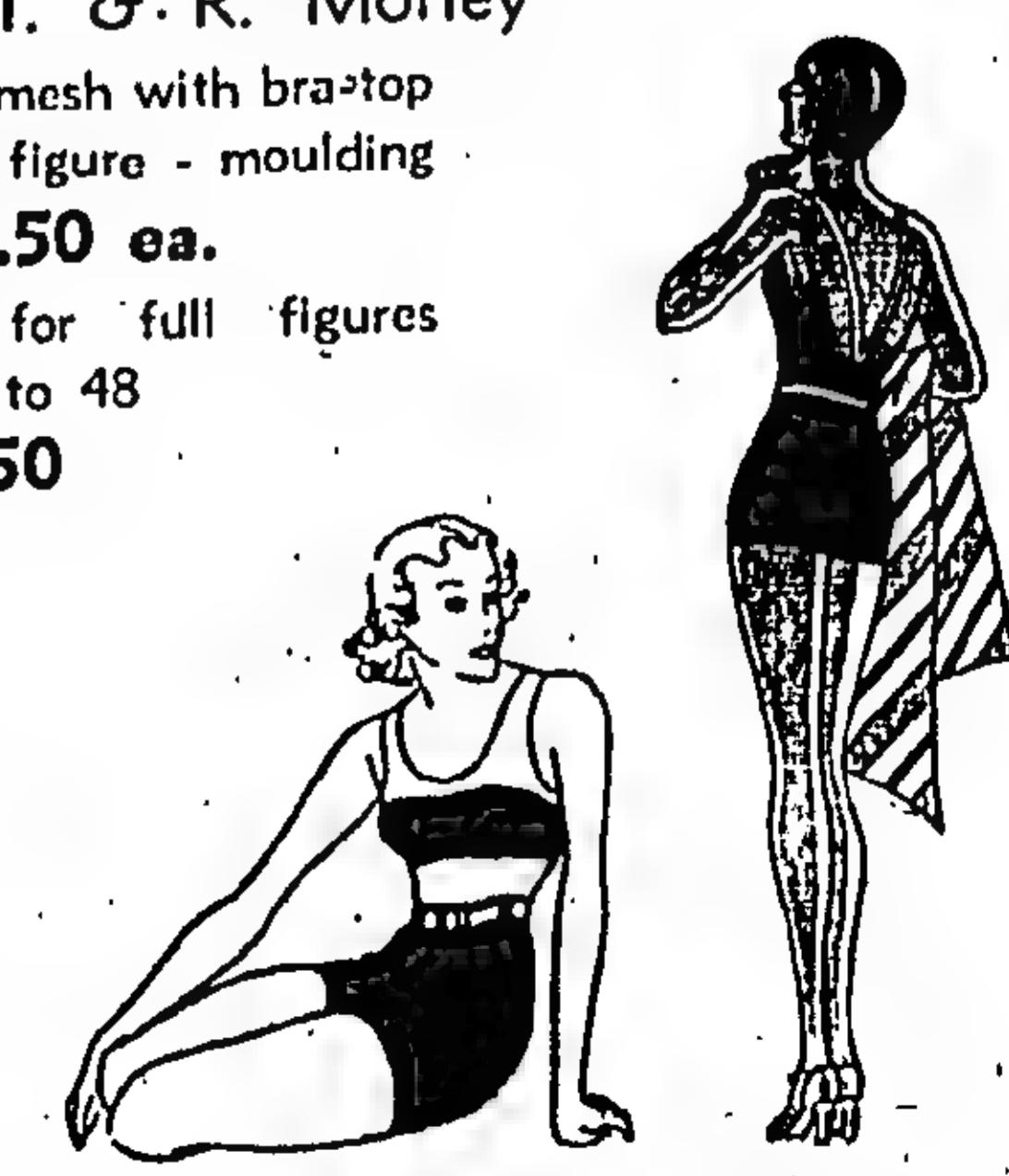
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SECRET EXHUMATION AT THE ABBEY

Grand-Children of Edward I Identified In Tombs After 600 Years

BODIES WRAPPED IN 600-YEAR-OLD FUNERAL SHROUDS

By CYRIL MARTIN

IT was revealed recently that an exhumation has been carried out in the closest secrecy at Westminster Abbey.

The step was taken to verify that the bodies of two four-years-old grandchildren of Edward I—Mary Bohun (1301-1305) and Humphrey Bohun (1301-1305)—lie in a tomb which for centuries has been half-buried in the north wall of St. John the Baptist Chapel.

For many years there has been doubt as to whether the children lay in that part of the Abbey, as tradition held.

BEHIND LOCKED DOORS

The exhumation, together with the examination of ancient documents by Mr. L. E. Tanner, Keeper of the Abbey's Municments, has proved beyond doubt that legend is true.

The exhumation was carried out behind locked doors and screens, all officials of the Abbey being sworn to close secrecy.

Among those present were Sir Charles Peers, architect to the Abbey, Mr. L. E. Tanner, and Sir Frederick Kenyon, president of the Society of Antiquaries, who was invited to inspect the remains.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

OUT OF DATE SYSTEM

To the Editor,
Hongkong Telegraph.

Sir.—May I be permitted to use the columns of your newspaper to call attention to the out-of-date system of ticket dispensing in the local theatres, with the hopes that those in command will wake up and remedy the situation.

Call at any of the show houses, and watch the complicated operations, and contortions it is necessary to go through before obtaining that little pasteborder slip! The man at the window sizes you up first as a prospective customer, then he asks you if you wish a seat with private bath, and veranda. Next he shows you the floor plan of the house, pointing out if you desire, the scenic spots inside, including stage, screen, exits and ceiling.

Of course you're given plenty of time to consider just where you would like to sit after the idea of that door plan filters into your imagination. "Don't rush! There are only twenty other patrons or so behind you, and they're most patient. What care they for another twenty minutes or more of waiting? If they miss a reel or two they can read the story on the programme. Let us see. Would Garbo's profile look as well from the right, or left side of the house? Would Joe E. Brown's mouth look too wide from the middle section, and would Marlene Dietrich be better when viewed from far back, or close up, and eerie, meenie, minie, moe, wouldn't a lady with a tall hat sit right in front of me if I picked that one?

This girdle was frequently worn by expectant mothers of the Royal house as it was believed to ensure that all would go well at the birth of the child.

Humphrey was taken ill while still in the north, and there is an interesting record that on his half five shillings was paid to a hermit.

Records also tell of his journey south with his household and attendants, of his death at Fulham within a few miles of his destination, and of his burial with his sister.

The tomb was originally situated in the Chapel of St. Nicholas, the patron saint of children, and—as Mr. Tanner discovered from ancient documents—was moved to its half-buried position in St. John's Chapel during the 10th century.

SECOND IN CENTURY

Exhumations in the Abbey are very rare. This is only the second this century. The first was when the bodies of the two Princes murdered in the Tower were secretly disinterred from the Abbey in July 1923.

Expert examinations, photographs, and X-ray plates proved beyond doubt that the boys were murdered in 1483 by Richard III—a fact that had been disputed by antiquaries for many years.

As you enter the darkened interior another surprise awaits you. Only about one-fourth of the house is occupied, and escaping the usher you coyly amble to a seat anywhere on the floor, and as you sink your tired bones into the seat you say "Well, patience has its reward—has it?"

Why not do away with this silly and useless arrangement? Let those who buy seats in certain sections select their places after they're inside, as is done in Shanghai and other cities of China? Then ten tickets could be sold under that plan in the same time it takes to sell one now. For the upstairs, or reserved parts tickets to conform with the floor plan should be ready for selling without stamping or signing, and handed over immediately, upon payment of admission fee.

Four of us waited in line recently to see a good film, and we finally gave up in disgust after waiting for nearly ten minutes after the picture started, all the while listening to the monotonous banging of that inefficient stamp. And I'm sure a good many more patrons do the same thing. So how about a meeting of the theatre managers for the elimination of this old system, and another step of progress for the Hongkong theatres?

Pray.

Basilica At Jerusalem Dangerous

Weakened By Shock Of Earthquake

London, Apr. 8. The Colonial Office announces that the High Commissioner for Palestine, after an expert report that the Basilica and the Holy Sepulchre at Jerusalem are unsafe, following an earthquake shock last October, has very reluctantly come to the conclusion that the edifice must be closed to the public before April 10.

The decision need not necessarily involve complete abandonment of the usual Easter ceremonies, but should the ecclesiastical bodies concerned decide to conduct such ceremonies, entry into the Basilica must be entirely at their own risk.

The Government is considering what action for the structural preservation of the Basilica should be taken.—Reuters.

SENSATIONAL STARS AT HONGKONG HOTEL TO-NIGHT



SYLVIA AND CHRISTIAN

SPECTACULAR STARS FOR GRIPPS SEASON

TWO new stars of extraordinary ability are billed to appear at the Grips, Hongkong Hotel, for an extended local season, commencing to-night.

Acknowledged as the most spectacular pair of dancers seen in the Far East, Sylvia and Christian arrived in the Colony this morning after a long season at Colombo.

From Hongkong, they will travel direct to New York, where they have already contracted to appear at the famed French Casino.

Sylvia and Christian are appearing in Hongkong under the management of Mr. Vic. Hugo, always noted for the excellent material he sponsors.

CIGARETTE IN MOUTH AS WOMAN DIED

STILL holding a partly smoked cigarette between her fingers, a woman with a silk scarf knotted tightly around her neck was found dead recently in the front garden of a house in Rye Hill, Newcastle.

Although it is believed the woman, 37-years-old Mary Graham, a native of Gateshead on Tyne, died from natural causes, the police have not ruled out the theory that she may have been murdered.

Detective officers have been in touch with Graham's 11-years-old daughter, who lives in Sunderland, and have learned that the woman's parents are both dead.

A pathologist's report which will be ready shortly is expected to solve the riddle.

The body was discovered under some laurel bushes by a workman.

When the police were called a preliminary examination suggested that the woman had been murdered by strangulation.

Closer investigation indicated, however, that she may have had a severe bout of coughing, and died from asphyxia as the scarf she was wearing tightened about her neck.

There was no sign of a struggle in the garden.

A post-mortem examination has been conducted by Dr. G. E. Stephen.

LORD DUFFERIN LEAVES

Aden. The Marquess of Dufferin and Ava, Under-Secretary for the Colonies, flew from here to-day to Berbera, British Somaliland, in continuation of his Colonial tour.

Lord Dufferin leaves

Aden.

On his return to England he will

attend the coronation of King George VI.

He will then proceed to India.

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AMY JOHNSON writes a Flying Article **FOR WOMEN ONLY**

FOR all women in Britain I see a steady growth of opportunity, with door after door opening ever more readily and willingly as they show themselves appreciative, efficient, and gracious.

One door that is standing wide open and yet is often, I fear, ignored is that leading to the freedom of the skies.

There is no bar against women taking up aviation as a career in any of its branches, except, of course, the Royal Air Force.

Plenty Of Chances

THERE is no reason why women should not excel as well as any man in record flying, racing, or any of the more adventurous branches of aviation. There is no earthly reason why women should not use the air lines as regularly as men and make ideal passengers.

Then why don't they?

There are only 196 private women pilots compared with 4,528 men, and only 11 women with commercial licences compared with 862 men.

It cannot be pleaded that there is any lack of opportunity, of knowledge, or of facilities for training. There is opportunity in plenty for those who want it, and there, I think, I have put my finger on the weak spot.

There are too few women who sincerely want to fly.

Start Now

PERHAPS you will tell me women are afraid. But why? There is less sensation in flying than in any other form of travelling. You are far less likely to be sick than in a boat, and the proportion of accidents is less in aviation than in almost any other form of transport.

To women who want a really good job with prospects and a decent salary, my advice is: Get into the aviation business while the going is good.

The few women who were in on the "ground floor," notably Mrs. Victor Bruce, who runs a most successful air-taxi business, and Mrs. Wilson, who owns Wilson Airways in East Africa, are now reaping the fruits of their enterprise and fortune.

To those who feebly protest that they dare not go up into the air, I would say: Remember that during four years those huge air liners of Imperial Airways have safely carried passengers throughout the Empire more than 8,000,000 miles.

Then say you are afraid to fly, and yet you are not afraid to cross the road where hundreds of people are killed every week.

To those who are interested but do not know exactly how to start, I would say Begin by reading about flying.

Free, Healthy Life

HUNDREDS of young girls have written to me during the past seven years, and many to-day are enjoying lucrative aviation jobs, learning to fly with the money they earn, and enjoying the free open-air, healthy life which flying provides.

Let me tell you now of just a few of the jobs open to you in aviation.

Teaching, exhibition flying, joy-riding, demonstration and test flying, flying sales woman, survey and photography work, air-taxi flying, racing, designing, managing and aviation business, navigating, wireless operating, writing, lecturing, engineering.

In any one of these branches there is wide opportunity, and no door is closed to those women who really want to succeed.

The cost of actually learning to fly is not prohibitive nowadays.

This is what you must do. Join some flying club. There are plenty. Subscriptions vary from £2 2s. to £5 5s. and tuition fees from £2 an hour to £5 5s. depending on the club and the type of aeroplanes you will fly.

Having paid your subscription and fitted yourself out with helmet and earphones (so that you can hear what your instructor says), gloves, flying boots, and warm coat, for you will be flying in an open cockpit, you walk out to the waiting aeroplane and get into the back seat, with your instructor in front.

This is how your first lesson will go. Sitting securely strapped in your comfortable seat, you will watch the instructor taxi the aeroplane gently out on to the aerodrome facing the wind.

Taking Control

BEFORE you know where you are you will find yourself in the air, and when at a safe height he will hand the control stick over to you and tell you to try "to keep her straight." You will be amazed how quickly you will learn how to do this. After half an hour the instructor will bring you down to a perfect landing.

Then into the clubhouse, where you will quickly feel at home, where everyone talks "shop" and you learn a great deal by listening to the general conversation.

This social life of the flying clubs is a very important side of aviation, for it is in the clubhouse that flying

problems are discussed difficulties smoothed out, and contacts made.

This article would not be complete without a mention of the popular new sport of gliding. And I will say no more than this: that you can have no conception of the wonderful exhilaration of a flight in a glider until you have tried for your self. Go to a gliding club and take a "joy-ride" in a twoseater with one of the club's experts. It is worth it.

To all the women in Britain I would offer this advice: Think about flying. Go to an aerodrome and see for yourselves, and I guarantee that, however much you may like life on the ground, you will soon want to try the air. And you won't be disappointed.

EMPIRE NEWS

AUSTRALIA'S PLANS FOR DEFENCE

Sydney.

Following the open advocacy by Australian naval experts of an increase in cruiser and air strength, comes the announcement to-day that the State Railway Commissioners for the whole of Australia have prepared detailed draft plans for concentration of troops at places most likely to be attacked by an invader.

The Secretary for Railways for New South Wales, Mr. W. H. Newman, has been appointed Director of Railway Transportation under the Defence Department, and concentration plans have been worked out to the last truck and carriage by exercises in entraining and detraining troops and equipment.

Chair of Aeronautics.—Acting on the advice of Mr. H. E. Wimperis, Acting Adviser in aeronautical research to the Commonwealth, the Government is creating a chair of aeronautics at the University of Sydney and an aviation research bureau alongside the aircraft factory at Melbourne.

No Protest to Italy.—The Italian cruiser Raimondo Montecuccoli left Melbourne to-day without a cheer. The admitted "beating up" by members of the crew of an Italian taxi-driver who was mistaken for an anti-Fascist propagandist, and the anti-Fascist demonstration on the quay which followed, have undone all the good of the visit. The newspapers suggest that there should be an official Commonwealth protest to the Italian authorities, but according to reports from Canberra this is unlikely.

South Africa

SOUTH-WEST AS A FIFTH PROVINCE

Cape Town.

Gen. Hertzog has told members of the delegation from the Legislative Assembly of South-West Africa, formerly German and now administered by the Union under mandate, that he is generally in favour of the territory being administered as an integral part of the Union. It would not be advisable, however, to make any chance administration at this juncture "in view of the fact that the whole Colonial question would probably be dealt with and settled in the near future."

The delegation came to Cape Town to urge the inclusion of the territory as a fifth province of the Union.

New National Anthem.—In reply to Col. Stalwart, leader of the Dominion party General Hertzog to-day stated that South Africa had never regarded "God Save the King" as its national anthem, although they had the greatest respect for it as "an invocation to the Almighty for the protection of our King. Col. Stalwart's question was asked following the playing of "Die Stem van Suid-Afrika," "The Voice of South Africa," for the first time at the opening of Parliament on February 11.

India

CONGRESS SESSION TO-DAY

Bombay.

The Executive of the Congress party adjourned this evening without completing its consideration of Mr. Grandhi's draft resolution on party policy with especial reference to the resignation of the Congress ministries in Bihar and the United Provinces. The majority of the Ministers assembled are opposed to any extension of the crisis, to the other provinces in which they hold office—Bombay, Central Provinces, Madras, Orissa, and North-West Frontier Province.

The annual session of Congress opens to-morrow. The party leaders will then be so busy that the constitutional issue is not likely to be dealt with till Sunday.

Prison Hunger-Strike—Sixty-eight prisoners in Calcutta prison have gone on hunger-strike for better food.

Canada

IMMIGRATION OF JAPANESE

Ottawa.

The Japanese Immigration Exclusion Bill tabled in the House by Mr. A. W. Neill, British Columbia, was criticised to-day by the Prime Minister, Mr. Mackenzie King. He claimed that it would arouse feelings against the Dominion and the Empire. There is now little possibility of any action being taken this year.

The bill adds that the "gentlemen's agreement" which is now observed and in accordance with which 100 Japanese immigrants are admitted yearly, should be terminated.

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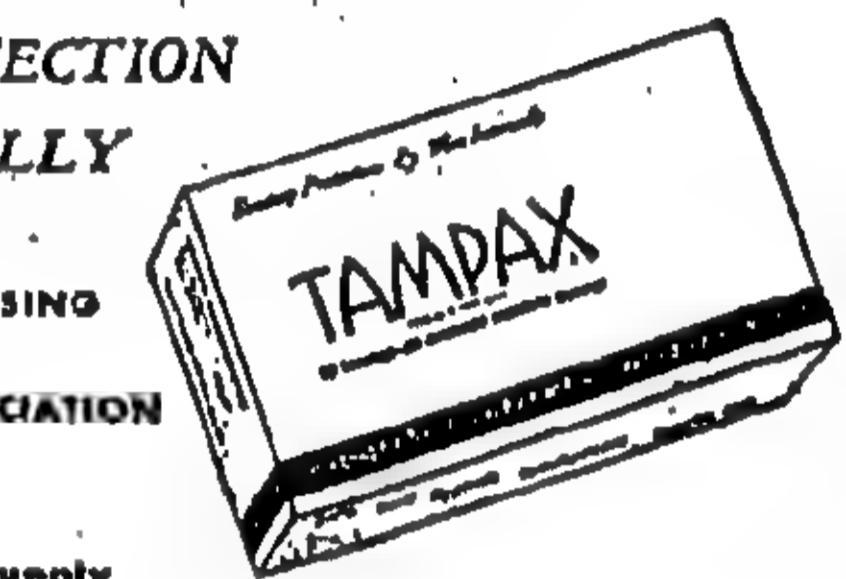
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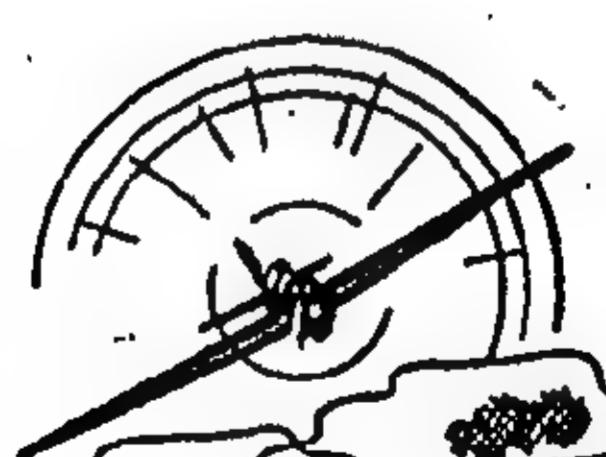
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Japan's "Punitive Expedition" Is War For Metals, Say Experts

Beauty Parlour Woman In Spy Scare

New York. ARRESTS of a woman and two men charged with transmitting United States military secrets to agents of a foreign Power have blown the lid off an alleged spy plot which appears to be developing into a really serious affair.

Those arrested are: Johanna Hoffman, beautiful red-haired German aged 26—who worked in a beauty-parlour in the German liner Europa, and is believed to be a native of Dresden.

Günther Gustav Rumrich, a deserter from the U.S. Army.

Erich Glaser, aged 28, a soldier stationed at Mitchell Field Airport.

That the Government is taking the affair extremely seriously is shown by news.

An emergency meeting of the Army General Staff has been called for to discuss changes in codes and defence.

Full charges against them are: "Delivering and transmitting to agents of a foreign nation documents, code books, signal books, photographs, notes, instruments and information relative to the defence of the United States."

NOT ALL IS TOLD

It is obvious that the authorities are holding back the extent to which military, naval and Air Force secrets have been stolen during 18 months' operations of a spy ring.

The only important information yet revealed is that spies have obtained and sold the United States air code, plans for the mobilisation of the Panama Canal defences, and details of Atlantic coast artillery and fortifications.

Further revelations are almost certain to be made.

When the woman was caught in the Europa recently the police found notes from "agents of a European nation" acknowledging receipt of confidential documents. She had also a document offering £200 for the details of new United States aircraft carriers.

MAN WHO BLUNDERED

Edgar Hoover, G-Man chief, says a spy organisation has been long collecting material and passing it to other members among the crews of Transatlantic liners, who delivered it in various centres in Europe.

The man who is stated to have blundered worst is Rumrich, who, it is said, was being paid only £20 a month for his work.

He telephoned to the passport bureau posing as an official of the State Department, and asked for 50 passport forms to be sent him at a New York hotel.

Questioned after his arrest, he broke down, and is declared to have implicated Glaser, or the airfield where a code-book was stolen. Glaser put the police on the track of the woman.

It is also stated (reports Reuter) that Rumrich attempted to impersonate Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State.

A large number of extra guards were placed at the big air base at Mitchell Field (Long Island) to prevent any further theft of Air Corps secrets.

Hangars housing latest models of fighting planes are specially guarded.

HERE'S A REAL SUMMER-TIME PHOTO FROM CALIFORNIA



WARM AND BRILLIANT weather is reigning at Long Beach, California, where this photo was taken recently.

BELGIUM FEARS NAZI DESERTER IS SPY

Brussels.

Belgium's military authorities are worried about the young German N.C.O. who sped at 80 miles an hour across the French border in an armoured car and told the Customs officers who arrested him that he was just a deserter.

His plan, they think, was to find out whether the famous Maginot line, the steel and concrete fortifications which are described in military circles as the "lifebelt of France," could be penetrated.

Belgian military experts, concerned over the defence of their own eastern frontier, are puzzled by such facts as these:

1.—How could this German N.C.O. steal an armoured car from a barracks without the alarm being given at once?

2.—How could he drive for 50 miles in Germany without being detected?

3.—How could he pass the German frontier, which, since Hitler's purge last month, has been practically closed?

The self-confessed deserter appears to have known secret passages between the net of barbed wire and vertical steel posts which cover the "No Man's Land" between the frontier line and the Maginot wall, for he was compelled to use them to break through the line itself.

Officers of the Belgian General Staff have been discussing the matter and they agree on the theory that this German N.C.O. is not a deserter.

Rector To Wed A Shop-Girl

FELL IN LOVE WITH HER AT FIRST SIGHT

The Rev. Gordon Ince, rector of Long Melford, Suffolk, on his way to Australia on a six months' health cruise, has become engaged to a Colombo shopgirl, Miss Blanca Siebel.

He is said to have met his fiancee in the store and fallen in love with her at first sight.

Parishioners in Long Melford regarded the rector as a confirmed bachelor. He has lived alone for five years in a mansion-like rectory adjoining the church. When he left on his cruise he said:

"It is quite impossible for one man, even in good health, adequately to serve this parish, and the great obstacle to the provision of a colleague is the huge expense of this unwanted mansion and grounds in which the unhappy incumbent is compelled to live.

"I should hope to see my way of returning either to rid myself of this incubus or to put it to such use that it may become an asset to the spiritual life of the parish instead of a liability.

"I cannot continue in my present condition longer than the close of this year, though I hope to manage until then."

Jiggs Buried

Hollywood. Jiggs is dead, and Hollywood has buried him, buried him in a coffin lined with purple satin. The handles of the casket were of silver.

Bing Crosby and Dorothy Lamour were among the "mourners." Flowers from other stars were piled round the bier.

The funeral recalled the obsequies of famous gangsters.

But Jiggs was no gangster. He earned a mere £20 a day as "the only chimpanzee able to express emotion."

Now he lies in the film colony's "pet" cemetery—and Hollywood may not look upon his like again. B.U.P.

GREETINGS 23 YEARS LATE

Vienna. A birthday greetings card posted 23 years ago at Pressburg, 40 miles from here, has just been received in Vienna by the son of the intended recipient. The original addressee is dead.

WON'T LISTEN-IN TO RADIO-INVENTED IT

Paris.

There is one man living in Paris who won't listen to radio. He is Edouard Branly, ninety-three-years-old pioneer who discovered the principle of wireless transmission forty-seven years ago which resulted in Marconi's invention of radio.

"Some time ago," he told me in his modest apartment in the old Latin Quarter, "friends insisted on presenting me with a powerful radio set, says a correspondent.

"The family gathered round to hear it, but after a few minutes I left the room. I fled from the monster I had created."

Nobody has ever been able to induce Professor Branly to listen to a radio set again.

All his life he has remained strangely aloof from the practical realisation of his scientific discoveries.

NEVER HUNGRY
"Material life is nothing," he says. "I am never hungry, never sleepy. When I sit down at the dinner-table I eat, and as soon as I am in bed I fall asleep."

Every day about noon Parisians see the professor leave his

ONIONS ROUT BANDIT

Icno, Nev. An improvised tear-gas bomb routed a robber at the grocery of Henry R. Brewster. Armed with an automatic, a robber ordered Brewster to hand over the contents of the cash register. Brewster reached for his onion counter, grabbed a half dozen, and started throwing them at the thief. The robber fired once at the floor and fled.

REFUSED JOB

When the Professor protested that he was only a laboratory research worker and that he didn't even know how to operate a wireless set, they explained that all they wanted from him was his name.

"I cannot accept a job which I could not justify by work," he replied.

SHORTAGE OF ORES PERTURBS LEADERS

LONDON, MAR. 1. JAPAN'S "PUNITIVE EXPEDITION" INTO CHINA IS REALLY A "METALLURGICAL WAR," IN THE OPINION OF METAL EXCHANGE CIRCLES WHO PORE OVER TECHNICAL MEANS OF METAL DEPOSITS AND PROFESS TO FIND THEREIN THE ROUTES OF JAPANESE FORCES IN ADVANCE.

Those forces will not halt—apologies or no apologies—until they have reached China's antimony, tungsten and tin deposits, according to this professional view, just as they refused to halt in Manchuria until they had seized badly needed coal and iron ore deposits.

In addition, the Metal Exchange is vividly conscious of Japan's rising power in world metal markets, through the special metal-buying organizations which she has now established in the Far East, New York, London and the Continent.

CHINA'S SILVER SAVED

By HENRY WOOD
United Press Staff Correspondent.

San Francisco. China's entire hoard of silver currency and silver metal reserves, with the exception of \$50,000,000 which fell into the hands of the Japanese, has been successfully removed from the country, the Institute of Pacific Relations reveals.

The \$50,000,000 which fell into the hands of the advancing Japanese army was in the Tientsin-Peking area. It was in Mexican dollars and its actual value in American currency was only \$20,000,000.

The entire amount which the Chinese government was able to get out of the country in time was \$300,000,000 in Mexican dollars, or about \$90,000,000 in U.S. currency.

CAME TO HONGKONG

The silver was first concentrated at Shanghai, then later moved to Hongkong and finally shipped to London for safe keeping where it went into the London silver market, proving for the time being a depressing factor.

Under six-months' extension last December by the U.S. government of its agreement to continue the absorption of Chinese silver currency, it is expected that in the end the U.S. treasury will eventually absorb the last of China's silver hoard, both in currency and stamped silver bars.

With this final disappearance of China's entire silver metal reserve which she had built up in more than a century, China will be definitely eliminated from the block of silver standard countries.

As a matter of fact since November, 1935, China already has been operating on a managed currency basis of a flexible gold exchange standard. Whenever she re-establishes a new currency basis, it is presumed that it will be on the Japanese-Manchukuo basis that is prevailing now in the Far East.

ECONOMIC RELATIONS

This complete disappearance from China of her silver currency also marks the end of an important chapter in the history of China's economic relations with the West. Until western traders began operating in China, the only currency which she had developed was copper which was issued in great diversity of forms and values.

The western traders, however, as a means of exchange introduced the Carolus—the predecessor of the Mexican dollar—at a time when Mexico was still a Spanish colony and Mexican silver was regarded as Spanish currency.

The Mexican dollar has since been the basis of Chinese currency, although western writers have called China's silver currency as really only a highly developed form of barter.

RECENT COINAGE

Official recognition was granted the silver dollar in China only comparatively recently, when Yuan Shih Kai issued coins showing a design of his head, after the monarchy had been replaced by the semblance of a republic under his rule. Finally in 1932 a clearer definition was added by Dr. T. V. Soong when he made the silver dollar legal tender.

This really coincided with the beginning of the end of China's silver currency. When the world went off gold, from 1931 to 1933, and even before the American "silver bloc" cashed in on its participation in the election victory of 1932, silver prices had shown outstanding resistance against the general fall in prices.

Later when the administration began purchases of silver in order to build up a currency reserve amounting to 25 per cent. of the monetary gold stock, purchase agreements were concluded with both Mexico and China.

This gradually depleted China's reserves of silver currency and metal until with the advent of Sino-Japanese hostilities China found it advisable to get her entire supply of the metal out of the country.

For the time being, China has created a new kind of currency for domestic use and has declared a moratorium on all bank deposits except for small amounts. These measures have prevented any panic there as a result of the disappearance of silver. —United Press.

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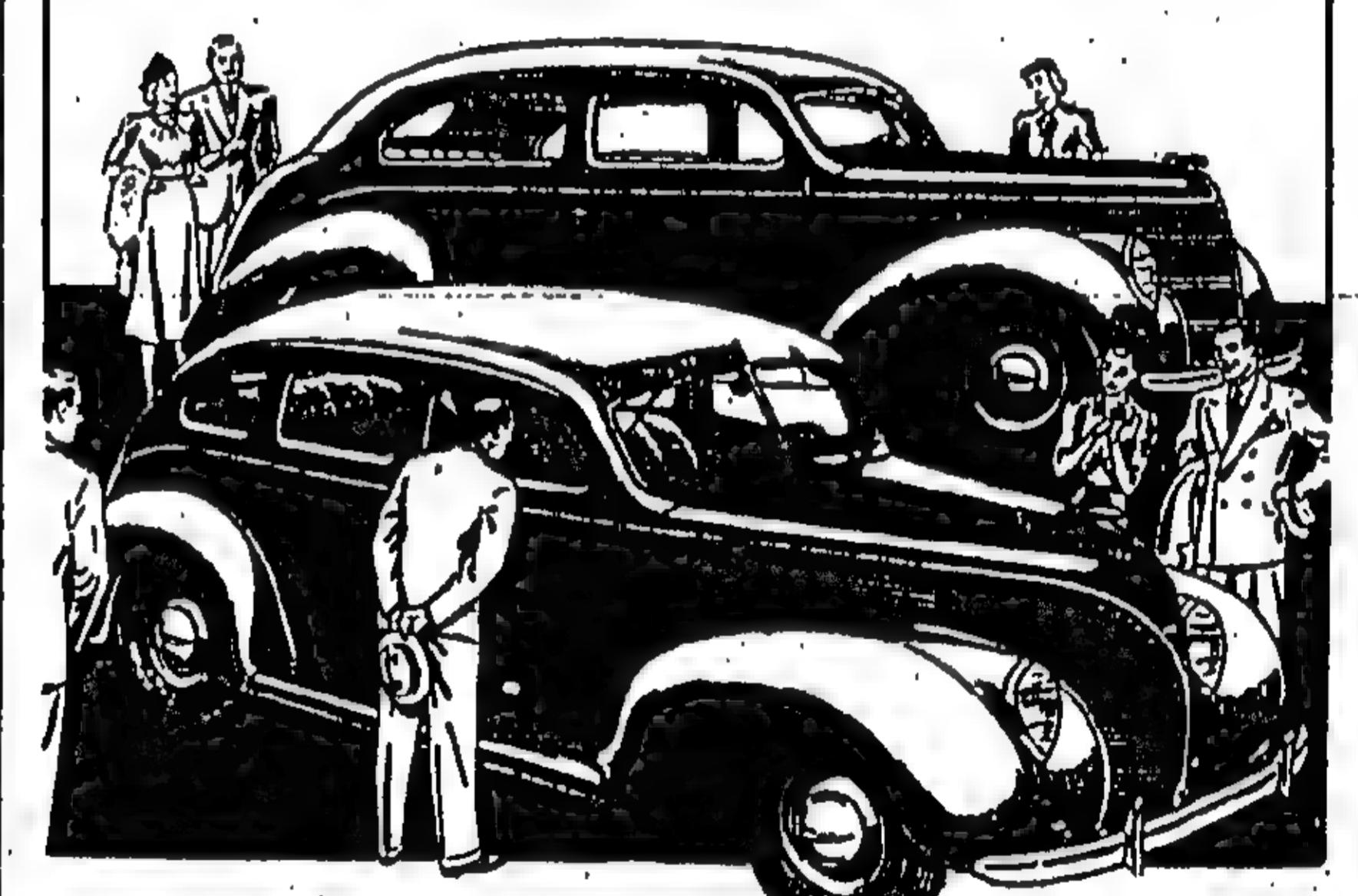
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P. K. HUI ESTABLISHES LOCAL BADMINTON RECORD

ANNEXES THREE CHAMPIONSHIPS IN ONE SEASON TWO MORE FINALS WON WITH K. L. YONG AND MISS ULIAN KHOO

(By "Veritas")

MIXED DOUBLES

P. K. Hui and Miss U. Khoo beat M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva 15-10, 7-15, 18-13.

MEN'S DOUBLES

P. K. Hui and K. L. Yong beat P. H. Wong and C. Au 18-13, 3-15, 15-8.

In adding the men's doubles and mixed doubles title to the men's singles crown which he won earlier in the week, P. K. Hui of the Hongkong University last night proved himself to be the most successful competitor yet to take part in the Colony badminton championship. What is more, Hui was one of the chief means of the University winning the "A" Division of the men's doubles league, and has thus completed a season of marked achievement.

Hui figured in notable manner in last night's contests at the Club de Recreio which were watched by a large and keenly interested gathering which included hon. vice-presidents and officials of the Hongkong Badminton Association.

It was Hui's cool head which turned the tide in the opening mixed doubles match when the final game was set at 13-all. At this stage Hui, whose form had been alternating, produced his cleverest badminton, minking outright winners with ideally placed shots, and covering the court with such expert anticipation that he was able to reach Oliveira's hardest smashes with apparent ease. It was not until this nail-deciding phase of the match that Hui really opened out, and then the opposition was no match for him.

OLIVEIRA PATCHY

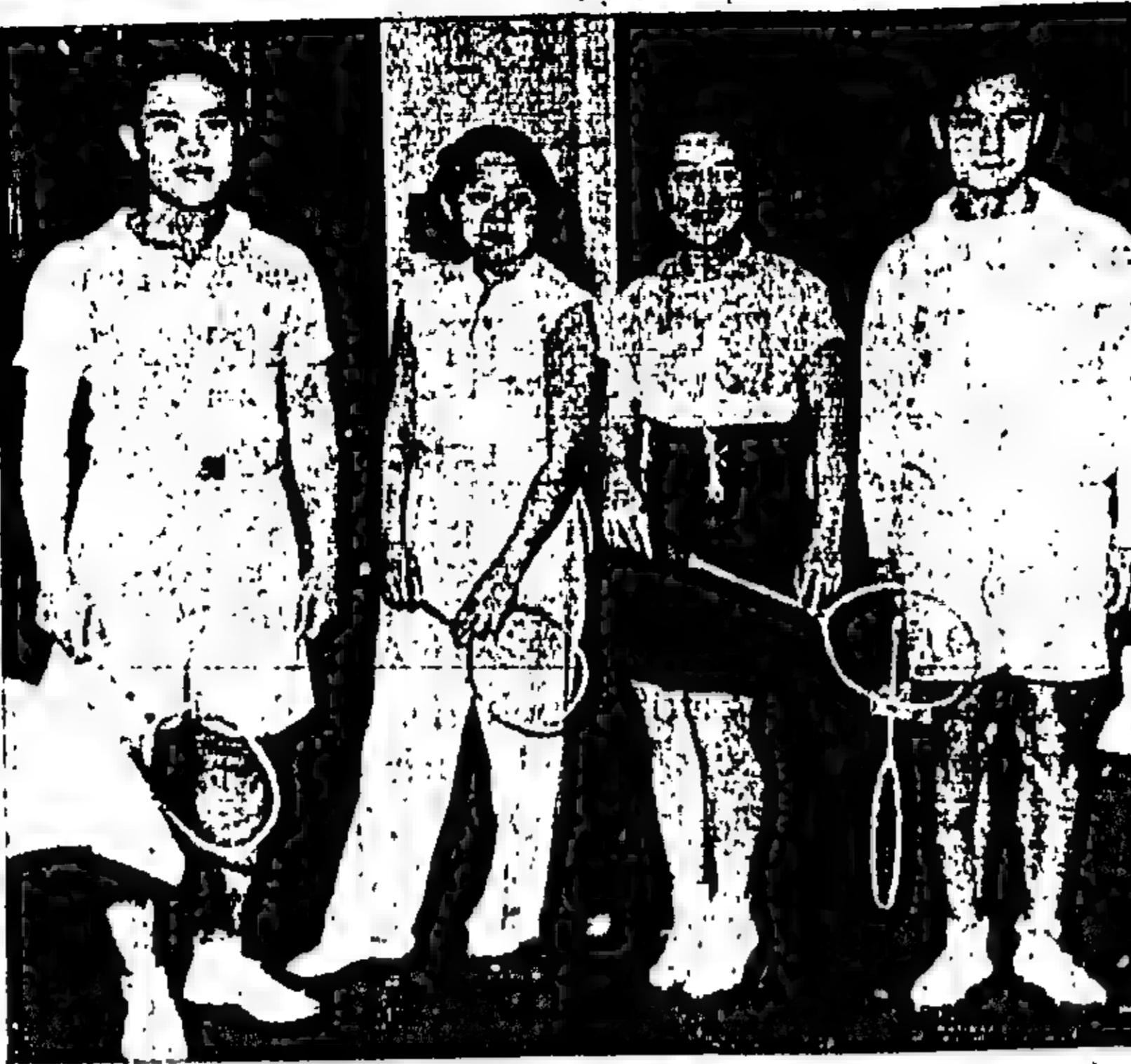
Oliveira on the other side of the net was inclined to be patchy, and it was not until the second game that he was capable of making good use of the smash for which he is noted. Nevertheless, at no stage did he "kill" with his customary fierceness, and quite often he was lured into making hurried and false returns.

The nextest badminton came from the ladies. Miss Silva was especially polished in the first two games, but she suffered a lapse in the decider, and by taking up a dangerous position in half-court laid herself open

MEN'S DOUBLES

Permitted some breathing space before he took the court for the men's doubles final, Hui returned and showed magnificent form in the first game. Yong, his partner, was rather unsettled, and constantly cleared the lines, either through over-hitting, due quite obviously to anxiety to make points or through trying to clip the side lines. Hui, on the other hand, was beautifully steady and willing, ready and able to counter Wong's most subtle strokes. Overhead the singles champion rarely committed a mistake and his "kills" seldom found a return.

Wong also played consistently throughout the match, but Au failed to settle down, and was also groping



The four players who took part in the final of the mixed doubles badminton championship at the Club de Recreio last evening. Left to right.—P. K. Hui, Miss U. Khoo, Miss M. Silva and M. A. Oliveira.

International Soccer Final To-morrow

The International Football final between China and England will be played on the Hongkong F.C. ground at 4 p.m. to-morrow. Both teams have been announced during the week.

for his shots as though he were caught in two minds. The winners, very rightly, concentrated on this weakness and were duly rewarded. Au's chief trouble was his inability to combine accuracy with cleverness in stroke making. He persistently shot the lines, and was apt to break down under pressure of a fast and prolonged rally.

Yong played a brilliant part in the successful finish of the match, his work in the final game being outstanding. Three times he pulled out gorgeous winners on the backhand from apparently hopeless positions, and his court covering, at a time when Hui was visibly tiring, was highly commendable. He applied the pressure just at the right moment and this enabled the Varsity couple to obtain a commanding lead.

INTERESTING PLAY

The badminton was always interesting and full of action. Mistakes were somewhat plentiful, due chiefly to over-cautiousness. None of the players was able to gain full mastery of rather lively shuttlecocks, and many of the best-looking shots were spoilt because they cleared the court confines. There were more points won and lost through errors than by outright winning strokes, yet interest in the match never flagged, and on the whole the badminton was a credit to the players.



P. H. Wong and C. Au, of the Chinese Y.C.M.A., who were beaten by P. K. Hui and K. L. Yong in the final of the Men's Doubles Badminton Championship.

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Von Cramm To Be Tried

Berlin, Apr. 8.
It is learned that Baron von Cramm, famous Davis Cup competitor, has been transferred to another prison which indicates that his trial, which was not expected, will begin soon.

It is understood that a preliminary investigation included questions on "unwise political observations" and alleged additional sexual irregularities.—United Press.

KONG OUTPLAYED BY A STEADIER, FITTER OPPONENT

Interesting Tennis In Singles Quarter-Final

(By "Abo")

Usually a firm believer in hard hitting, Tsui Yun-pui had a surprise even for those who know him well when he met Paul Kong in the quarter-finals of the Tennis Singles Championship on the stand court of the Hongkong C.C. yesterday. The erratic hitter was gone and in his place was a more restrained player, who more than made up for his lack of speed by infinitely greater accuracy.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

LOCAL TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Sir.—Why do umpires, when an important point in a game looks doubtful to them, and also to the linesman, not have the point replayed? Is this procedure a wrong one?

EYE-WITNESS TELLS OF TAICHERCHWANG

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ing the devastated town it was found that the Chinese defenders were either eating or hunting for souvenirs. These included dozens of tons of tear gas, and one large cylinder of an unidentified poison gas.

The Chinese morale is very high.

Four Mile Advance

Artillery, which yesterday were three miles behind Taicherchwang, is now one mile in front of the town. While three days ago our darkened train groped blindly to point ten miles south of here, to-day an armoured train and ordinary supply train entered Taicherchwang station in broad daylight.

Chinese troops are continuing the pursuit.

The Japanese are not shelling the town. They bombed the surroundings once during the day, when we hid in shell holes.

For the first time the Chinese troops struck back, blow for blow, heavy shell for heavy shell, bomb for bomb, anti-tank shells for tank.

Taicherchwang, controlling the railway canal and highway approaches to Hsichow, is still Chinese.

I am, writes the United Press correspondent, the only foreign pressman inside the town.—United Press.

Surviving Japanese Commit Suicide

Taicherchwang, Apr. 8. General Sun Lien-chung's second army corps dislodged the Japanese remnants in Taicherchwang city following a fierce battle last night.

Of the 800 Japanese troops, 400 were wiped out, 200 retreated, and the remainder put up a desperate resistance in north-east corner of the city.

A bayonet charge wiped out the majority, and the remnant committed suicide.

This morning, Chinese forces occupied Liuchihlu village, north of Taicherchwang, which was the seat of the Japanese headquarters.

Chinese staff officers revealed that another Chinese force cut the Taicherchwang-Yihshan highway and occupied Changshun. There is jubilation in Headquarters. Guns boomed all last night, the Chinese artillery being very active.

Retreat To Yihshan

As a result of the Chinese victory the Japanese retreated to Yihshan. The Japanese artillery has not been heard here during the past two hours.

In the village of Shaochang, adjoining the town, 300 dead Japanese horses, 20 heavy trucks and one armoured car full of munitions, whose driver was still slumped in the seat, were found.

Four common Japanese graves at Shaochang each contain about 600 dead, including 50 officers. Four tanks were captured at Taicherchwang. The Chinese forces are pursuing the enemy, and the whole sector which has been drenched for the past fortnight, is at present in motion.—United Press.

Victory Analysed

Shanghai, Apr. 9. While the Japanese military authorities sweepingly ridicule Chinese claims of success in Taicherchwang attack, what impartial and more or less reliable reports there are from the front line tend to confirm the Chinese claims of success to be correct in effect, though certain of them are obviously exaggerated.

There is little doubt that the Japanese suffered a severe knock, at least one division being more or less annihilated, while the other division fled in such disorder that it left almost all its accoutrements behind on the field, from tanks and artillery pieces to rifles and ammunition. Even water bottles were thrown away in the hurried retreat.

The Chinese success is attributed by usually reliable foreign sources to four main causes. Firstly, improved discipline and co-ordination of the Chinese forces, resulting in a virtual free hand being given its German advisers; secondly, improved supplies of modern arms, including tanks, aeroplanes and field guns; thirdly the fine fighting ability of the newly-trained "Student Armies," who have made their debut in this battle; and fourthly, and perhaps this is the most important, the havoc caused to the Japanese communications by Chinese guerrilla forces and flank attacks which resulted in the almost complete exhaustion of ammunition of the overwhelmed Japanese divisions.

Guns Out of Action

It is reliably learned that Japanese front line troops put up an almost negligible artillery fire for two days prior to the Chinese attack, and Chinese reports state that most of the guns captured had clay-cold barrels. As a result, when the Chinese did attack, there was nothing to counteract the Chinese superiority of numbers, and in hand-to-hand fighting which followed, the Chinese numerical superiority inevitably carried the day.

From a military point of view the Chinese success is only a small incident in the present Tientsin-Pukow railway battle, meaning the temporary success of one counter-attack. Nevertheless, the Chinese point out that morally it is highly significant, and should give the Japanese army seriously to think, since the resistance offered to the Japanese in the front and to the rear in the present battle is more and more the order of the day should the Japanese drive further inward, and thus extend their already tattered lines of communication even further.—Reuter.

CHAMBERLAIN EXPLAINS QUEST FOR FRIENDSHIPS

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restoring those old, friendly relations between the two countries.

"I only ask that you have a little patience and wait a little longer—I don't think it will be very long—until our agreement with Italy is concluded and published," he said.

AVOID BLOC-MAKING

Mr. Chamberlain emphasised that the British policy was not one of dividing Europe into two opposing blocs, each armament against the other amidst a growing flood of ill-will which could only end in war. Most of the people of Britain did not approve of dictators, but they could not remove them. They had to live with them. It was only common sense that Britain should try to establish friendly relations with any country willing to be friends.

There are two pillars to our foreign policy, Mr. Chamberlain went on, namely, that we seek peace by friendly discussion, negotiation and at the same time build up armed forces to a level proportionate with responsibilities and the part the country desires to play in preserving peace.

Mr. Chamberlain appealed for the creation of a new atmosphere of goodwill in the world because, he said, that was an essential preliminary to a League of Nations that would work.

Referring to Austria, he said one result of that shock had been seen in the general desire manifested throughout the country to do something to demonstrate British solidarity.—Reuter.

REGISTRATION PROBLEM

The Prime Minister did not think, he said, that a voluntary register of people willing to enrol for public service would be likely to give satisfactory results in peace time. He pointed out that employment exchanges had exact particulars of the qualifications and whereabouts of 12,000,000 workers in industry and commerce. The Government had already prepared a carefully thought out scheme for compulsory registration which, in case of emergency, could be put rapidly and smoothly into operation.

The thought that the country's savings should be dissipated upon weapons of war was hateful and damnable, he said, yet he could not shut his eyes to the fact that under present conditions Britain had no alternative but to go on with it, because it was the very breath of the British being, his freedom, which was at stake.—Reuter.

HONGKONG CABLE CHARGES SLASHED

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Empire to be introduced on April 25, 1938.

"This new rates scheme brings for the first time into the sphere of overseas telegraphy, the principle of a uniform rate, which has long been applied with such advantage to postal traffic.

The basis of the scheme is an all-Empire flat rate which will be applied to plain language, code, deferred and letter telegrams. Broadly, the effect is an all-Empire rate of 5d. a word for code, and 1/3d. a word for full-rate plain language telegrams. This flat-rate basis will apply, not only to Empire traffic to and from the United Kingdom, but also to traffic between each Dominion and Colony, and all other countries in the Empire.

"The scheme is framed also without any increase of existing rates, so that until the present flat-rate basis can be further reduced, there will remain certain cases where rates are below the uniform level. For example, the plain language rate from the United Kingdom to Eastern Canada will remain as at present, 9d. a word.

"To give examples of the large reductions which will be made in certain of the Empire rates now in force, the present full rates per word are 4/7d. from Hongkong to Great Britain, 3/5d. from India to Australia, and 3/- from the West African colonies to Great Britain. All these rates will come down to the new level of 1/3d. and there will be corresponding reductions in the cheaper classes of traffic.

"The new rates should prove of great value in encouraging telegraphic traffic and closer relations between all parts of the Empire, and they have been made possible by an all-round settlement of outstanding questions in which substantial concessions have been made by all parties concerned."—Reuter.

CHINESE ARTILLERY MATCHES ENEMY'S

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hills between which wisps of smoke indicated burning villages.

The main pieces on the board were sturdy built villages with Norman watch towers, in which batteries on both sides were located. The pawns are the groves surrounding the family graveyards of long deceased landlords whose recesses now guard active, as well as passive death.

Only two miles behind the front, peasants plow, while refugees with cattle, cautiously proceed along the bottom of communicating gullies. An amazingly familiar, green-clad Chinese postman, riding a shiny new bicycle, passed across the field within sight of the enemy batteries. It is good to see China's postman still on the job. I'll write to my wife to-night.—United Press.

EMPIRE RADIO AND CABLE TOLLS CUT TO AID COMMERCE

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policy agreed upon in 1928, to accord fullest support and co-operation to the company's system.

PROFITS NOT SUFFICIENT

The White Paper proceeds to set forth the arrangements approved in 1928, whereby four beam wireless stations in the United Kingdom, owned by the General Post Office, were leased to the Company for 26 years in return for a beam rental, consisting of the annual payment of £230,000 and of 12 per cent of the surplus profits earned by the company in any year above a certain level. The rental was duly paid, but the profits never sufficed for an additional payment. It is now proposed that Cable and Wireless be granted a freehold of the said beam wireless stations, that the beam rental be cancelled from March 1, 1938 in consideration for which it is proposed that 2,000,000 £1 shares of Cable and Wireless shall be transferred to the United Kingdom Government without payment, shares to be found from the existing issued capital of the company. The Postmaster-General shall waive claims from Cable and Wireless in respect to the right conceded to the company to operate a wireless service with Kenya, instead of that previously operated by the General Post Office.

It is proposed that the Anglo-Continental telegraph services, operated by the General Post Office and Cable and Wireless respectively, shall be co-ordinated under a joint purse working arrangement, and that the standard revenue fixed in 1928 of £1,000,000 be written down to £1,200,000 annually. One half of any surplus over the standard revenue is to be allocated to a reduction in rates, or the development of services.

STRATEGIC USES

In arriving at a general settlement account has been taken of the obligations of the company in regard to the maintenance of cables which may be required for strategic purposes. As a condition of these proposals, the company have also agreed to introduce a far-reaching scheme for a reduction in the overseas telegraph rates. This scheme is the outcome of discussions between the representatives of the governments and the company. Its main provision is that, subject to agreement being reached with the administrations and other parties concerned, rates for full traffic between all the different parts of the Empire are to be reduced so far as is practicable to a uniform basis.

This will be 1/3d per word (with the code rate at 10d per word) but the existing rates which are already below this level, will not be increased. There will be consequential reductions in certain rates for cheaper classes of traffic, which are proportional to the full rate.

It is the intention of the parties to put the new rates into effect on April 25, 1938. To facilitate the reductions, the governments are asked, subject to special arrangements in certain cases, to make reductions in the terminal and transit rates, at present charged by them where such rates exceed 1/4d. per word on the traffic affected.

£500,000 BENEFITS

The benefit of the reductions on telegraphic rates to the public at Home and overseas is estimated to amount to nearly £500,000 per annum. In addition to the special financial arrangements made by the United Kingdom Government, the new tariff will involve concessions of varying amounts on the part of overseas governments, but the main burden will fall on the company itself, and its associates.

The Directors have agreed to these proposals.

The figure of £2,000,000 for the number of the company's shares to be issued to the United Kingdom is the figure negotiated as part of the general settlement, based upon the discounted value of outstanding payments of beam rental until the end of the present lease in 1953.

The surrender of the beam rental of £230,000 payable annually under the existing lease until 1953, in return for such income as may be received from dividends on the Government's new holding of 2,000,000 shares in the company, represents a substantial sacrifice on the part of His Majesty's Government in terms of revenue.

GUARANTEED COVER

The beam rental hitherto has been paid to the Post Office, but in view of the wider public issues involved in the proposed financial arrangements with the company, it has been agreed between the Treasury and the Post Office, that the net consequential loss in excess of £100,000 per annum, shall be borne by the Executive.

His Majesty's Government is satisfied that as a contribution to the general settlement, the cost of the proposed concession is outweighed by the great importance alike on political, commercial and strategic grounds of maintaining an intact system of Imperial communications carried on by the company.—Reuter.



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BRITISH PEER PASSES ON

London, Apr. 9. The death is announced of the Marquess of Milford Haven in his 46th year.—Reuter Bulletin. George Louis Victor Henry Sergius Mountbatten, G.C.V.O., K.C.V.O., was the second Marquess. He entered the Royal Navy in 1906, was appointed a Lieutenant in 1914, a Lieutenant Commander in 1926. He served in 1915 and at the Battle of Jutland in 1916.

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THE BRIDE WORE RED



by BEATRICE FABER

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Chapter One

The little white ball spun around and around; the croupier's voice droned, "That's all—no more bets."

Rudi Pal glided around the crowded room. Though the Casino Club was the pivotal point of Tricote society, he was finding it hopelessly dull. Gambling did not interest Rudi tonight for his mind and heart were filled with beautiful, generous-hearted Madeline who loved him.

Beside him Count Armalda was gathering up his chips with all the smugness of a winning drunken gambler.

Rudi grinned tolerantly. "Armalda, your luck improved with every glass of champagne."

"And Rudi, the champagne improves with every roll of the wheel!"

"Please," Rudi suggested elaborately as they strolled toward the door, "You mustn't stop playing for my sake. The mere fact that I have to be up at dawn—"

"Bah!" Armalda exploded. "I have to be up at dawn?" Rudi, you always talk as if you controlled your own destiny, you know."

"Now look here," Rudi protested. "This is one night when I refuse to listen to your naive champagne philosophy."

Armalda snapped his mouth open and shut, much like an irritated clam. He was more than a little drunk and knew it; intoxicated not only by the drink but by the pride of his own completeness. And what did he do with such a golden night as this? Dine and debate with a love-sick young fellow who could think of nothing but the morrow and his flances. "Naivel" he burst out. "Can't you realize, you young fool, that Life is a Grand Roulette Wheel and the human little ball, worthless in himself, bouncing

"Talk?"
"Suppose you tell me about yourself. Where you were born and all that sort of thing."

Slowly, deliberately, she looked at him and a faint resentment stirred within her. So he would like to know what made the wheel go round, would he? Then she shrugged. After all, championing was a bit of a lark, and from the class and felt the bubbles tingle pleasantly in her nose. "My name is Ann Pavlovitch. Born in Poland, age twenty, Mother, Austrian. Father, indeterminate, probably not an aristocrat."

"You talk well," Armalda said approvingly, his plan already beginning to take shape.

She turned to him, a sudden edge to her voice. "And we breathe and sleep and are hungry too, very much like human beings."

The Count bowed gallantly. By God, he'd give her something aplenty, this girl! "It's a pity we're not luck that you were not born in it."

She nodded absently. "Yes, it is."

Her chin was cupped in her curved palms. She had had nothing since her earliest days of remembrance. Poverty. The stench of squalor. In her nostrils, a drunken, brawling mother, best-forgotten. Hopeless, and long since been stifled.

Armalda said to her softly. "And how would you like a little hold-day, Miss Ann?" To stop at a fine hotel, have servants to wait on you, sunshine, plenty of food, beautiful clothes?"

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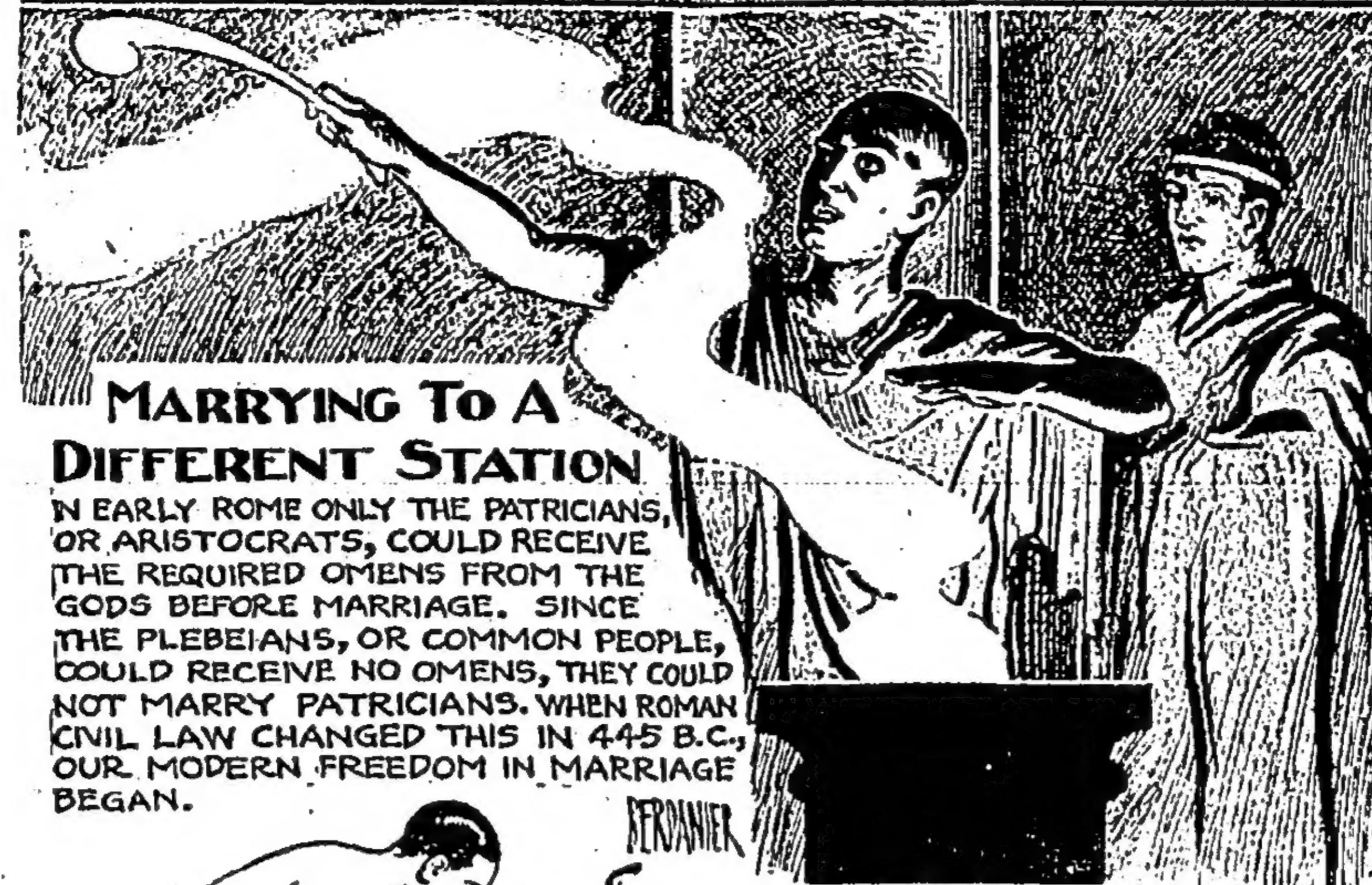
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HOW IT BEGAN

By PAUL BERDANIER



MARRYING TO A DIFFERENT STATION

IN EARLY ROME ONLY THE PATRICIANS, OR ARISTOCRATS, COULD RECEIVE THE REQUIRED OMENS FROM THE GODS BEFORE MARRIAGE. SINCE THE PLEBEIANS, OR COMMON PEOPLE, COULD RECEIVE NO OMENS, THEY COULD NOT MARRY PATRICIANS. WHEN ROMAN CIVIL LAW CHANGED THIS IN 445 B.C., OUR MODERN FREEDOM IN MARRIAGE BEGAN.

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Be RUTHLESS In SPORT

By

J. H. FREEMAN



Slowly, deliberately, she looked at him and a faint resentment stirred within her.

Helplessly from slot to slot? Where will he end, in wealth or poverty? As Rudi Pal, the young aristocrat or "the waiter, whose only asset is the ability to cook and pour champagne," put it? You'll go on from there to the same about all men are created equal?"

"Which they are not," Armalda's smile was sardonic. "Do you think there is really anything to distinguish you from that waiter over there except your clothes and the fact that you sit while he stands?"

"There is everything," Breeding, family, tradition—"glancing at his watch, Rudi broke off. "I give up Armalda, I'm going home like a good little roulette ball. The train for Torrento leaves so early in the morning."

Armalda made a sweeping gesture that nearly unbalanced him. "By then, I shall have changed a dozen lives. I shall do great things to-night, Rudi, great things. Lead me to the destitute!"

The destitute slept after midnight. Some other time, one man will be there again. He would show his young whipsnapper all the squalors of the world just what a man could do when he willed it. Lurching through the door he stumbled into a horse-drawn cab at the curb.

"Goodbye, Armalda," Rudi called. "Goodbye, Torrento. If you don't think Madeline and I are too snug, And don't get too dizzy on that great big wheel of life!"

Armalda's reply was a contemplative snort. Then he bawled to the driver, "Take me to the lowest dive in Madeline's joint." The world's lowest, the lowest of the low!"

A short space later he was entering the little waterfront café, known as The Cordillera.

His eyes roamed about the smoky dance floor, and on the girl who was singing. He rubbed his hands. Laboratory material made to order. She was young, not more than twenty perhaps, with a youthful jaw and cheekline under the heavy mask of rouge. Her eyes were indigo, framed by fatigued lids. Her voice was mellow and all her poses, existing in a monotone, with no interest in the note that had passed nor in the note that was coming.

As if in response to his gaze Ann turned and stared at him. The proprietor was whispering in her ear. Her lips twisted. A Count, was he? Come to stare at the animals in the zoo? She sauntered to his table, not angry just dubious.

"Glad to see you, sir. Would you care to dance? Or shall I sing another song, perhaps? An old favorite?"

Armalda waved her poenously to a chair. "No, thank you. Let us just be two human souls in communion for a night. We will drink champagne and talk."

If our chosen players in various fields of sport are to make British achievement in 1938 something more than a matter for laughter or contempt, they will have to undergo a mental revolution.

Ruthlessness in its modern application is a harsh word, a near relative of unscrupulousness. But in its strict dictionary meaning it is a quality that we need in competitive sport.

Test cricket, international golf, Davis Cup and Wimbledon lawn tennis, have long ceased to be sporting engagements, conducted on friendly, go-as-you-please lines.

They are stern encounters, fought with a tenseness on the part of our opponents that needs to be matched with equal determination and concentration by our own men and women.

Fierce Competition

AUSTRALIANS on the cricket field, Americans on the lawn tennis court or the golf course possess something more than the will-to-win and the fighting spirit. The most successful of them, while keeping strictly within the rules, have a strain of mercilessness that does not permit them to give points to a beaten opponent, and in some cases enables them to turn near defeat into striking victory.

It is idle to regret the passing of an age when chivalrous behaviour counted more than results. Fierce competition has changed all that. Record books are soulless things. There is in them no mitigation of our successive defeats in so many spheres of sport where for long we reigned supreme.

Frank Critics

NOR do those who travel find much consolation in empty tributes to a false sense of sportsmanship. On the Continent of Europe, in the United States, in South Africa, Australia and New Zealand they are very frank critics of our failings; in these places they do not suffer fools gladly.

"I'll wire the hotel myself," he continued. "Here are the addresses of some shops. I'll notify them to take care of you. And here's a little money for tips. The rest of the bills will be sent to me."

Ann felt her heart quicken. What was this man driving at?

Whipping out a pencil, Armalda began writing on the menu. "You'll go to a very fashionable hotel in the Tyrol," he chuckled, "filled with elegant ladies and gentlemen of breeding. I'll give you two weeks of it. Two weeks, exactly, so you'll write the bill on the back."

Ann listened to him. Her name would be Ann Vivaldi, he was saying. She would pose as the daughter of his mythical friend, Lieutenant Vivaldi, a naval officer. Her dead mother had lived in genteel poverty, and she herself had been brought up in a convent.

How could she be mad?

"I'll wire the hotel myself," he continued. "Here are the addresses of some shops. I'll notify them to take care of you. And here's a little money for tips. The rest of the bills will be sent to me."

Ann's cheeks burned feverishly.

A punch that equalled his supply of this quality would make him equipped almost to the point of invulnerability.

Max Schleming, the German, who hopes to take away Joe Louis's title in June, is soft of speech, kindly, and with a great charm of manner—as a private boxer.

In the ring he has one single ferocious purpose—to batter his opponent to helplessness in the shortest pos-

sible time. He has the killer instinct almost as highly developed as had Jack Dempsey, to whom he bears such a facial and bodily resemblance.

The greatest heavy-weight boxer of his time, Billy Wells, would have been the uncrowned king of his class if he had possessed Dempsey's mental make-up, or the terrible cold-blooded concentration of Ted "Kid" Lewis, the most successful fighting-machine this country has produced for a generation. Lewis won three British titles at different weights, and the world championship as a welter-weight.

To watch Lewis in the ring was to see an example of restrained, calculated ferocity that was almost frightening.

Benny Lynch, our sole world boxing champion, is a kindred spirit—when he is fighting for a championship. But he has not Lewis's determination in contests of lesser quality.

A New Spirit

BOTH the Lawn Tennis Association and the Royal and Ancient Golf Club have made offerings to the spirit of the age by entering on a new war with new ideas.

The Lawn Tennis Association is on the threshold of a scheme that will give our leading ranked players of both sexes intensive training, physically and mentally, from the late winter to the end of the Davis and Wightman Cup tournaments.

Part of this training will be psychological. The ruling body, with real wisdom, wants to get rid of the frame of mind that lost us the Wightman Cup last summer in America. In four of the rubbers then played our girls led in their final sets by two games—and yet the match was lost 6–11.

Did not our last Test team in Australia win the first two matches and have the third within their grasp? Can any of us imagine on Australian team under, say, Woodfull or Armstrong, being similarly placed here and yet losing the rubber?

Concentration Power

ONE has to live with these Australians on their tours to realise their tremendous power of concentration, their indomitable will, their complete shall I say?—inability to ease up when a century is on the score-board.

If I had my way I would remind every English Test cricketer of the Lord's match of 1930, when Australia scored more than 700 runs in one innings (and put the score-board temporarily out of action) in a manner which was temporally crushing in its effect.

The R. and A.'s changed and modernistic spirit is revealed in its appointment of a committee whose duty it is to find a team "capable of winning the Walker Cup." That word winning is indicative of the R. and A.'s mental revolution.

No previous committee has had a similar instruction.

Perfect Match Winner

IN professional golf we have in Henry Cotton, the Open Champion, a perfect example of the match winner—cool, deliberate, determined, pitiless.

Being 5 up at the end of 18 holes means to Cotton the possibility of being 10 up at the 30th—that, or more, but nothing less.

Douglas Jardine's quality of ruthlessness won for us the Ashes in Australia in 1932. It also cost him the captaincy of England in 1934. Remember the outcry over "bodyline" bowling?

I think the M.C.C. would blithely see all the trophies in the Long Room at Lord's go up in smoke if they could find another Jardine in 1938.



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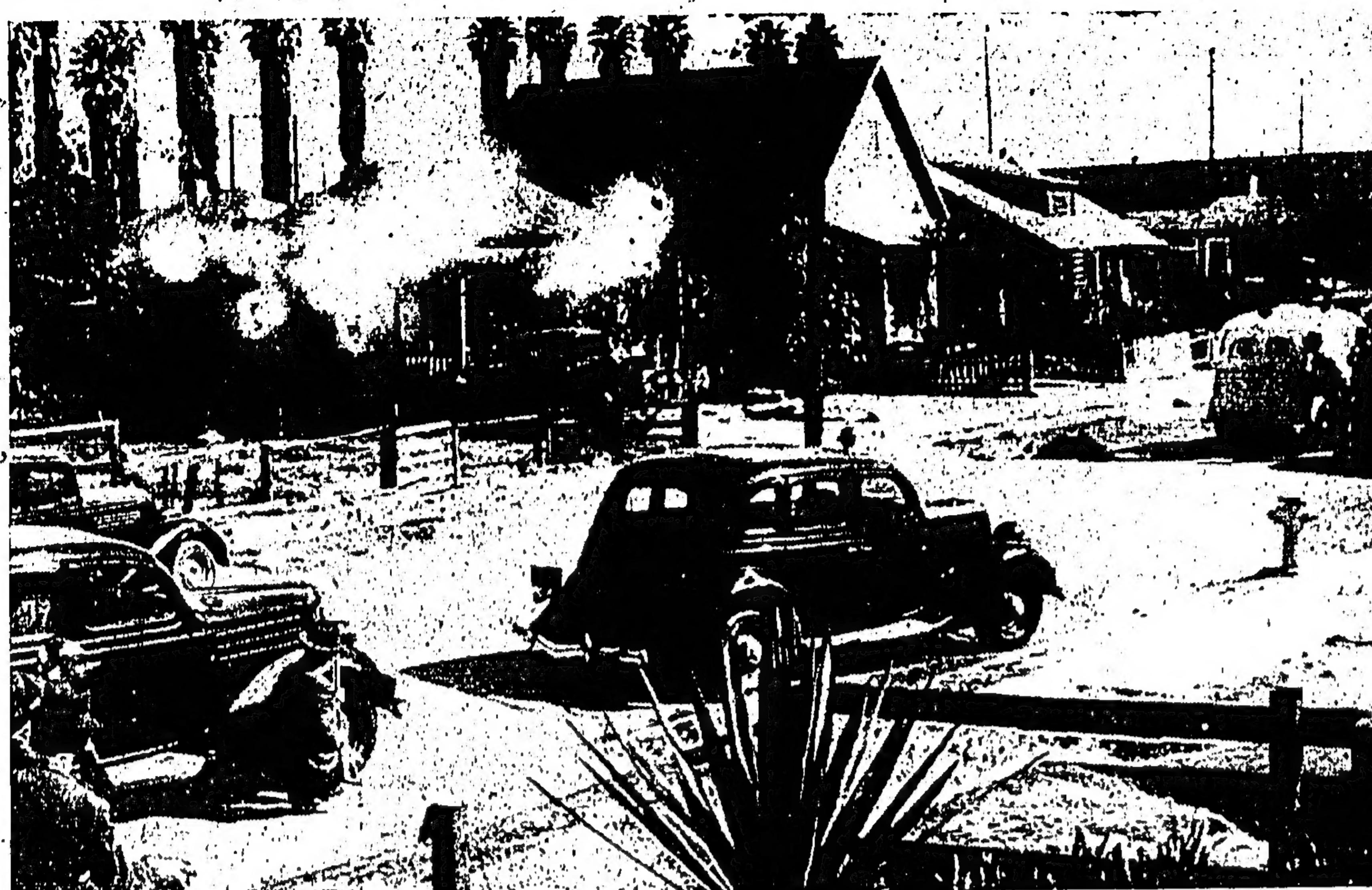
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Hongkong Telegraph **PHOTONEWS**

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**'HAPPENINGS
AS SEEN BY
THE CAMERA'S EYE'**



Two deputy city marshals called on George Farley, a Los Angeles negro, to serve an eviction notice. He killed them. Then barricaded himself in his home. Police, crouching behind cars, were forced to open fire from the roadway. Tear-gas bombs were thrown—fumes are seen pouring from the house—but Farley was not dislodged until he had been seriously wounded. In the roadway, before his home, lie the bodies of the shot city officers.



THOUSANDS HOMELESS IN CALIFORNIA FLOOD—Five-day rainstorm that poured thousands of tons of water on Southern California sent rivers and streams to unprecedented heights, causing millions in damage and leaving more than 50,000 persons homeless. Dams burst and bridges were swept away, while scores of communities were flooded. This aerial view shows the scene at Buena Park, near Los Angeles, with only the roofs of many homes protruding from the flood waters.



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NINE-YEAR-OLD TAKES DENDER — Alton, Ill., produced a giant boy in Robert Wadlow. Now the community sets new claim to fame in Imogene Winchester, who at nine has a repertoire of 68 contortionist acts. Her father said she formerly slept with head and feet touching. Once her amateur show was halted temporarily when an elderly woman arose and shouted angrily: "Stop it!"



IS IT ROMANCE? — Greta Garbo, (above) motion-picture actress, and Leopold Stokowski, orchestra conductor, (below) returning to Amalfi, Italy, from a day together at the Island of Capri, in the Bay of Naples, gave rise to new rumours of a romance. Reports that they already were married were not confirmed. Stokowski's wife, Evangelina Johnson, won a divorce from him at Las Vegas, Nevada on Dec. 3, 1937. Five days later he saw Miss Garbo off on a trip to Sweden. The Stokowski had two children.



REV. MARTIN NIEMOELLER, commander of a German submarine in the World War and popular Protestant leader, detained after trial before a secret court in Berlin on charges of sedition. Nazi chiefs described the details as malignant attacks upon the state and party and misuse of his pulpit. Protestants throughout the world were interested in his defence.

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Millions For Public Works Scheme

Washington, Apr. 8. President F. D. Roosevelt at a press conference to-day confirmed the administration is discussing a new public works programme said to involve \$1,500,000,000.

This development indicates the administration is about to yield to the clamour for resumption of large-scale Government spending with a view to reviving business.

Hitherto the President has been very reluctant to take this step, hoping for a natural business upswing. However, with the outlook anything but promising, those advocating a policy of "pump priming" seem to be definitely in the ascendance.

Apart from the public works programme, the Government spending includes increased relief appropriations from \$1,000,000,000 to at least \$1,500,000,000, and a broadening of the lending powers of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation which has available for loans a maximum of \$1,500,000,000.—Reuter Special.

Macao Marks Anniversary Of Lys' Heroes

Macao, Apr. 9. To commemorate the heroism of the Portuguese Army at the Battle of Lys in 1818, the twentieth anniversary will be observed to-day with a ceremony in the San Miguel Cemetery, when the newly-erected monument in memory of the Portuguese soldiers who sacrificed their lives in the Great War, will be unveiled.

A two-minute silence will also be observed at noon, prior to which a service will be conducted by H.E. the Bishop of Macao, Dr. J. da Costa Nunes, in the cemetery chapel. A speech will be delivered by Capt. F. de Luiz Reis, President of the Macao branch of the Portuguese Ex-Active Men's Association, and following a recitation by Miss Maria Miguel, of the late Madame Barbosa's poem "The 9th of April", a brief address will be made by Capt. M. Caselro Alves.

Present at the function will be H.E. the Governor of Macao, Dr. A. Tamagnini Barbosa, naval and military officers, members of the Consular, judicial, medical and civil administrative bodies as well as many local residents.—Special.

Speed Caused 100 Deaths On Railway

Allahabad, Apr. 8. The Chief Justice of Allahabad published a report to-day regarding the Indian railway disaster of July last near Putna, in which over 100 persons were killed.

The report declares that the derailment was due to track distortion because of the excessive speed of the engine.

The report adds that the Government held the railway company was negligent and liable to pay damages.—Reuter Bulletin.

NAVAL TALKS ON APRIL 19

London, Apr. 8. Discussions between Britain, France and the United States to determine naval tonnage increases following the British and American decision to invoke the escalator clause of the London Naval Treaty, are expected to begin on April 19.—Reuter Bulletin.

STOP PRESS NEWS

NAZIS PREPARE FOR PLEBISCITE

Vienna, April 8. Celebrations in connection with the plebiscite open to-morrow, when Dr. Joseph Goebbels will proclaim a national holiday shortly before noon. There will be a two minutes silence at noon, which will be broken by the sirens of every German factory, the roar of innumerable squadrons of aircraft overhead, and the pealing of all church bells.

Herr Adolf Hitler is due to arrive at 11 o'clock, and he will be present in the Rathaus Municipality when Dr. Goebbels makes his historic announcement of Greater Germany.

Twenty-five thousand carrier pigeons will be released from the Rathaus, with a message to all parts of Germany.—Reuter Special.

AGREEMENT DOES NOT MEAN NEW CREDIT FOR ITALY

London, Apr. 8. Captain Euan Wallace, Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade, referring to the revised clearing agreement with Italy, said the agreement did not mean granting credits to Italy.

Its net result would be to make possible the financing of very substantially increased exports of coal, and to establish increased quotas for other goods. Provision had also been made for settlement within six months of old debts due from Italy.—Reuter Bulletin.

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DR. JEKYLL OR MR. HYDE?

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filled with other people's silver candlesticks.

Alcohol is often the magic drug that separates the two halves of a divided personality, though it does it without the "racking pangs... grinding in the bones, deadly nausea, and... horror of the spirit" that assailed poor Dr. Jekyll when he first made his sinister experiment alone in his laboratory.

In the course of preparing a biography of my father-in-law, the late Edgar Wallace, I have come across two Jekyll-and-Hyde characters who deeply influenced his early life, and for both of them drink was the pass-key to division of character.

In one, his foster-father, Jekyll so out-weighed Hyde that he remained harmless, if not invariably sober; but the other—outwardly a good husband, hard worker, and strict teetotaller—became, by the simple process of going secretly on the drink, an embezzler and libertine who ended up by stealing his wife's savings to run away with another woman.

Fortunately, we are not all so extreme as that, and in most of us Jekyll and Hyde are too close to be both of you.

ly knit for Hyde to get off by himself and do much damage.

But once you decide to separate the evil from the good in your nature, to make the one not responsible for the other, what delirious possibilities are there!

Woman's Ways

SLOGGING, conscientious Jekyll will alter with gloriously idle Hyde, and nobody's conscience be a penn'orth the worse for his wasting of time and money! Mrs. Jekyll, that kind-spoken creature, will give Mrs. Hyde a day out from time to time, to say all the spiteful things she has always wanted to say to everybody.

And our morals—oh, what couldn't we do with the moral code if we decided to be two independent people!

As for my own Hyde—but there, I won't give the poor thing away. She's a nasty creature, but my own, and only I understand her.

The one disadvantage in the delightful programme of dual personality is that sooner or later, given enough rope, Hyde almost invariably hangs himself. And the embarrassing thing about that, as the Recorder pointed out, is that when it gets to that stage of the game it has to be both of you.

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